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Yeltsin Seizes Power From Parliament, Throwing Russia Into Political Chaos

Clinton Vows Support for Yeltsin After Phoning Him

By Elaine Sciolino
New York Times Service WASHINGTON — The Clinton administra-tion was stunned by President Boris N. Yelt-sin's announcement that he was dissolving par-liament and holding new elections, but moved swiftly to throw its support behind him. As the White House scrambled to assess the

fast-moving developments in Moscow, President Bill Clinton telephoned Mr. Yeltsin to ask for assurances that he is committed to democratic reform and respect for human rights. ["In a democracy, the people should finally decade the issues that are at the heart of political and social debate," Mr. Clinton said in a statement issued by the White House, Reuters re-

["President Yeltsin has made this choice and I support him fully," he said, following his telephone conversation with Mr. Yeltsin. In embracing the Russian leader, the Clinton

administration is saying that his dissolution of an undemocratic and anti-democratic parliament is acceptable because he did it in the name

But Mr. Yeltsin's move puts the administration in a bind: It knows that what is most democratic and economic reform -transcends the personal fortunes of one man. On the other hand, it sees Mr. Yeltsin as the country's best hope for democracy, a sort of Russian-style Charles de Gaulle delivering his country from chaos by assuming authoritarian powers.

Last March, Mr. Yeltsin threatened to dissolve parliament and abolish the Soviet-era Constitution, and the U.S. administration stuck

IVice President Al Gore said, "We feel that Boris Yeltsin is the best hope for democracy in Russia," The Associated Press reported from Washington. "And we will continue to urge the international community to be supportive of the reform efforts that are under way."]

During a conversation with Scoreinry of State Warren M. Christopher in Washington



Defiant Lawmakers Name Rutskoi to Replace Him

By Margaret Shapiro

Washington Past Service

MOSCOW — President Boris N. Yeltsin, declaring Tuesday that ceaseless political bat-tles were leading Russia down the path toward a "catastrophic collapse," dissolved the parlia-ment, a focal point of conservative opposition, and ordered December elections for a completely oew legislature.

Mr. Yeltsin's announcement threw Russia into a state of political chaos, with unconfirmed reports of military movements toward Moscow and calls by his opponents for Russians to take to the streets in opposition. But the Itar-Tass press agency quoted a spokesman for the armed forces as saying that the army would remain neutral in the conflict.

Vice President Alexander V. Rotskoi, who broke with Mr. Yeltsin more than a year ago and oow leads the conservative opposition, im-mediately declared himself president, calling Mr. Yelstin's action unconstitutional. Around right, the parliament voted to strip Mr. Yeltsin of his powers and swore in Mr. Rutskoi as an acting president.

The speaker of the parliament, Ruslan L Khasbulatov, another leading opponent of the president, called on Russian soldiers, police officers and KGB agents to ignore Mr. Yeltsin's orders and urged trade unions across Russia to go on strike immediately.

A somber Mr. Yeltsin, speaking oo national television, said: "The security of Russia and her peoples is more precious than formal compli-ance with contradictory regulations created by the legislature. The measures that I have to take as president are the only way to protect democracy and freedom in Russia, to defend reform and the still-weak Russian market."

He said elections for the new parliament

would be held Dec. 11 and 12 and warned that efforts to disrupt them, presumably including attempts to convene the old parliament, would be prosecuted. He said presidential elections would be held later.

The Russian cabinet gave its "unconditional support" to Mr. Yeltsin, Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdio said. "I shall implement the government's objectives and President Yeltsin's decrees," he said.

He said the heads of the Ministries of the Interior, Security and Defense had expressed their support for Mr. Yeltsin's decision to dissolve the parliament.

In announcing the elections, Mr. Yeltsin said: "In accordance with a presidential decree already signed, beginning today the legislative, executive and control functions of the Congress and the Supreme Soviet are stopped. There will be oo more sessions of the Congress. The authority of the people's deputies is considered

The parliament was elected to a five-year term in 1990 when the Communist Party still held sway, and it is dominated by ex-Communists and hard-line nationalists bitterly opposed to Mr. Yeltsin and his radical econor

Mr. Yeltsin's aides denied reports that an loterior Ministry division was on alert or moving toward the capital. They said, however, that additional police officers had been called in to guard the television tower and military installations. Itar-Tass quoted a Defense Ministry spokesman as saying that the military would "maintain strict neutrality."

"All troops remain in their gartisons," Mr. Chernomyrdin said, "Of course, they are ready See YELTSIN, Page 5

Unease Ripples Through Markets

The dollar surged ahead as investors moved out of the Deutsche mark, considered vulnerable to turmoil in Russia, and gold oushed higher as traders speculated that Russia's production might be curtailed.

On Wall Street, jittery investors sent the Dow Jones industrial average down as much as 67 points before it trimmed its loss to 38 by the close. The market had already been re-treating from its late-August highs. (Page 11)

Olympic-Site Sweepstakes in Final Lap

By Christine Brennan Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - It is the most secretive and least understood vote in sports. It is about politics, business, geography - and who gives the best gifts.

On Thursday, 89 people, many of whom are unknown to the outside world, will select a city as host for the Summer Olympics in the year 2000. In two hours of secret balloting, a process that for three years has dominated the lives of thousands of people from the five cities -Beijing, Berlin, Istanbul, Manchester and Sydney - and has cost as much as \$30 million, will come to a quick and stunning conclusion.

The International Olympic Committee, a self-elected collection of sports administrators, former athletes, dignitaries and royalty from 75 countries, will meet Thursday in the Saile des Etoiles in Monte Carlo to select one city for the elorified ruo through history and to send home the four others with nothing to show for their enormous and expensive lobbying efforts.

Just 15 years ago, a city could be selected for the honor six or seven years in advance. Other times, there was little or no competition; in 1984, the committee simply handed the Sum-mer Games to Los Angeles, because oo other

Now, with the potential for hundred-milliondollar Olympic surpluses, gigantic television

China's spokesman has an Olynapic dialogue with Ian Thomsen. Page 19.

fees, corporate sponsorships and -in Beijing's case, national pride - the stakes have risen

So the cities go to great lengths to impress the

Georgia, ski in the Alps or have their names engraved on a plaque on the Great Wall. But, in general, the committee is not a group that is easily impressed.

committee members, who have been given the

opportunity to play golf at Augusta National in

"These are people of substance," said Tom Welch, president of Salt Lake City's unsuccessful 1998 Winter Games bid and currently in

sources said See VOTE, Page 19

China's Big Gamble: A Matter of Pride

By Lena H. Sun

hington Post Service BELJING - When the members of the International Olympic Committee vote Thursday in Monte Carlo to pick the site of the 2000 Summer Olympics, the ontcome will matter most to

China's leaders, more than those of any of the other four countries with cities in the running, have staked a large part of their credibility and reputation on winning the right to hold the Games. More than those of any other country, China's leaders face a devastating loss of face if Beijing's bid is rejected.

In a sign of the government's nervousness, every police officer in the city has been ordered on duty Thursday night. Military units in the area are to be on alert, according to one Chinese

The state-run television, which did not carry live broadcasts during the 1991 Gulf War or the recent signing of the Middle East peace accords, will broadcast the Olympic decision pro-

For China, which has never been host to an Olympics, the Games are not simply a major sporting event. They represent an important See CHINA, Page 19

Kiosk

A Gaza PLO Leader Killed in Power Feud

GAZA CITY, Israeli-Occupied Gaza Strip (Reuters) — A senior PLO leader in the Gaza Strip was assassinated Tuesday by other Palestinians in a dispute within the mainstream Patah faction over the peace accord with Israel, Palestinian

The victim, Mohammed Hashem Abu Shaaban, was head of a political commit-

tee organizing support for the accord.

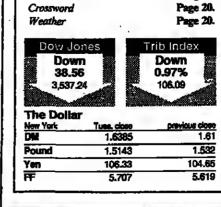
Mr. Shaaban was the first prominent Palestinian to be assassinated in the occupied territories since Prime Minister Yitz-hak Rabin and Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization signed the accord Sept. 13 in Washington. The pact calls for limited Palestinian self-rule starting in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank town of

Mr. Rabin was seeking a "Jewish majority" in parliament for the accord so that be could claim a genuine mandate. (Page 4).

Michelin had a \$565 million first-half loss

because of job-cut costs. Jardine Matheson's managing director, Nigel Rich, will step down.

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U.S. Spurns Europe's Call

To Reopen Farm Accord

By Paul Horvitz nal Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON - The United States on Tuesday rejected a new European call to reconsider a 10-month-old agreement on reducing farm subsidies, clouding hopes for a successful end to seven years of world trade talks and raising anew the prospect of a trans-Atlantic

The U.S. trade representative, Mickey Kantor, said in a sharply worded statement that Washington would not reopen "either directly or indirectly" the agricultural agreement reached at Blair House in Washington last

The statement was a rebuff to France, whose million farmers are adamantly demanding a renegotiation of the Blair House deal and whose government is threatening to veto final European approval of the agreement. A new veto threat was issued Tuesday by Foreign

Minister Alain Juppé. A French veto, in the view of many analysts.

would in turn dash bopes for the conclusion by mid-December of a world trade liberalization agreement under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Mr. Kantor's statement was made only hours

after European Community ministers had agreed, in a vaguely worded statement, to seek new discussions with the United States over the farm deal. At the same time, the EC ministers rejected French demands that the Blair House pact be formally reopened.

The EC statement, shaped during a long and fractious meeting in Brussels, seemed aimed at a semantic compromise that would avoid de-mands for a formal renegotiation while still providing the French with a measure of satisfaction by seeking a "clarification." Britain opposed any renegotiation, fearing it would lead to the collapse of the GATT talks.

The statement by Mr. Kantor focused on that compromise language.

"Ioterpretatioo or elarificatioo of Blair See KANTOR, Page 4

EC Adopts High-Risk Strategy

By Tom Buerkle ional Herald Tribune

BRUSSELS — European Community officials insisted Tuesday that their strategy for reviving global trade talks was alive despite renewed French threats to block a trade accord and an immediate rebuff from Washington to EC pleas for flexibility on agriculture.

The EC officials acknowledged, however, that the strategy adopted at an extraordinary meeting of foreign and agriculture ministers early Tuesday was a high-risk one. By merely papering over internal differences, it ensured that the farm issue that has blocked the Urnguay Round of global trade talks for years would cloud those talks right down to the Dec. 15 deadline, they said.

A spokesman for Sir Leon Brittan, the EC

trade commissioner, said the tough U.S. line on farm trade was only an initial reaction to the Community's trade stance. The EC ministers called on Sir Leon to take up France's concerns over the EC-U.S. Blair House farm pact when

With crises mounting, the French are blaming the usual culprit: Washington. Page 2.

he meets with Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, in Washington next week, but

did not demand a renegotiation of the pact.

Although Mr. Kantor on Tuesday ruled out any renegotiation or modification of Blair House, he is still going ahead with the talks with Sir Leon, the spokesman noted. He also said Sir Leon was encouraged by Mr. Kantor's renewed

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Reply to Hoaxer: No Thanks but Thanks

By David Streitfeld

Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - Try to scam a writer and she'll treat it like everything else: a source of

Two months ago, Amy Tan got a letter from Neustadt, Germany. "As an elderly man living alone one thinks not only of one's past but also beyond one's own being," wrote a man whose letterhead identified him as Rainer Bohlke. "In a word, I have a considerable fortune and oo

As an admirer of the novelist's work, Mr. Bohlke said he would be honored to leave all his Francisco novelist, Isabel Allende, was opening

loot to her. He sought nothing. It was enough just to know "that with this help you would be alone one thinks not only of one's past but also able to attend to your important work more

Miss Tan, author of the best-selling "The Joy Luck Club" and "The Kitchen God's Wife," was touched. "For a moment, I thought I finally got a letter from someone that didn't ask for something. Someone who just wanted to give me something." Not that she was planning to take the money. She drafted a reply turning it down but saying how wonderful it was to be

Right about then another prominent San

alone one thinks not only of one's past but also beyond one's own being."

It was another missive from Rainer Bohlke. "I didn't take it seriously, but I was polite," says Miss Allende, best known for her novel "The House of the Spirits." "My idea at the time was that this was some weirdo who was collecting autographs." She told him to leave the money to a foundation.

Some weeks before, in Los Angeles, the creator of the "Simpsons" cartoon, Matt Groening, had received his letter It was the same offer,

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As Crises Mount, French Blame U.S., The Usual Culprit

By William Drozdiak Washington Post Service

PARIS — Barely six months after a new conservative government took power with the promise of breaking chauvinist taboos, France's leading politicians, businessmen, farmers and movie stars are again finding it expedient to blame American imperialism for their prob-

A mysterious American-led cabal, hatched no doubt in the darkest corridors of power in Washington, is now getting the rap for the flurry of currency speculation that doomed the European Monetary System, the desperate plight of French industry and farming and the sorry commercial state of the French cinema.

It has always been easy for France to attribute its problems to the big, clumsy giant across the Atlantic. Whenever the French get into trouble, it seems, they tend to trace their afflictions to fiendish American plots.

But the latest complaints appear to go beyond mere petulance or paranoia: They seem to reflect a profound realization that France's stature in the world is slipping badly.

The emergence of an enlarged Germany as the Continent's leading power, the wide disaffection with the notion of a United States of

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Europe, the failure to bring peace to Bosnia and an economic crisis that is costing thousands of jobs each week have contributed to a disenchantment with the political establishment and its inability to

osolve France's most pressing problems.

"There is oo question we are witnessing a crisis in our institutions," Alain Duhamel, a prominent political scientist, said. "People no longer want to belong to political parties, unions or the eburch. So they are turning inward, looking for their own identity."

The latest chapter in France's identity crisis began when Prime Minister Edouard Balladur warned this summer that an evil "Anglo-Savon congresser," was madeemidding a run on the france and training.

Saxon conspiracy" was masterminding a run on the franc and trying to smash Europe's attempts to form a single continental currency that could rival the dollar. George Soros, the Hungarian-American financial wizard who

admits to having made more than a billion dollars last year on the collapse of the pound sterling, discovered personally how deep the French animosity has become. A genteel invitation extended to him to join Armagnac's academy of honored connoisseurs turned into a heated political debate, with some members refusing to accept an American who had acquired his wealth by "plundering" the French currency and others.

Meanwhile, farmers stoked the trans-Atlantic feud by diverting

some of their protests against world trade oegotiations, which they fear could harm their livelihoods, toward targets such as the U.S. Embassy, the Euro Disneyland theme park and other symbols of

American power and influence.

Lately, French film directors and stars have jumped aboard the chairy instic bandwagon in proclaiming that Europe's movie industry may be doomed by American cultural imperialism. "We cannot allow the Americans to treat us in the way they dealt with the redskins," the director Bertrand Tavernier warned last week before

the European Parliament.

Some French industrialists say the country's ancient distrust of free trade dogma and its preference for some economic nationalism where state-owned companies could flourish account for the virulent reaction against consumer preference for some American products, whether corn gluten feed or "Jurassie Park."

But others say these sentiments reflect a reluctance to come to terms with France's tarnished history over the past century and its less-than-glorious prospects of retaining the last vestiges of world influence in the years to come.

"We were always raised to believe we were the best, which f suppose accounts for what people call French arrogance," said Hubert Descas, a wealthy Bordeaux businessman. "But now we look around and find out what we were told at home and in school was

not necessarily true, and it's hard to accept."

At a time when nearly 11 percent of the labor force is out of work and the country's coddled farmers say they are being pushed off their lands, the French government is now gambling on rallying the population behind a patriotic call to arms to support national priorities even though these may antagonize European neighbors as well as the United States.

"If the summer's monetary crisis should be followed by a political and commercial crisis with our partners, then the whole edifice of the European Community could crumble," wrote Jean-Marie Colombani, an editor with the newspaper Le Monde. "Saving unity is not the priority of Edouard Balladur, who is playing with fire by risking a crisis oot only between Europe and the United States but also at the very best of the Community." the very heart of the Community.

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Refugees from Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina scrambling for food that was being distributed Tuesday by the Red Cross in Belgrade.

Bosnian Leader Won't Back Peace Plan

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher
SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Bosnia's Muslim president, Alija Izetbegovic, said
Tuesday be could not recommend acceptance of the latest plan to end the republic's 17month year. month war.

"I personally am not inclined toward that proposal," Mr. Izetbegovic said at a oews conference in Sarajevo on his return from talks Monday with warring faction leaders and inter-national mediators on a British warship in the

There had been hope earlier that a modified plan that secures access to the sea for a future Muslim state might salvage an accord to halt

Leaders of the country's three factions failed to come to terms in the meeting aboard the aircraft carrier Invincible. As a result, a signing ceremony for the plan that had been scheduled for Tuesday in Sarajevo was called off.

But there was hope that changes in the plan to partition Bosnia among the Serbian, Cro-

atian and Muslim factions eventually might win

lt was "a relatively successful day," said Bosnia's foreign minister, Haris Silajdzic. "The Croatian side partly agreed to what we were asking in the Adriatic," be said in Zagreb. "It is a good omen for future relations."

He said that the Serbs had made "minor concessions on the map, but it is way far from

WORLD BRIEFS

Hosokawa Vows Reforms This Year

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TOKYO (AP) — Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa pledged Tuesday to reform Japan's scandal-ridden political system by the end of this

year and deal with the country's "economic emergency In a policy speech opening a session of parliament, Mr. Hosokawa said that corruption "threatens to undermine Japan's international credibility," and he pledged to pass bills this year to create a new electoral system and stricter anti-corruption laws.

"The first thing that we must do is to restore popular trust in government, but there are also a number of other issues that cannot wait, including dealing with the economic emergency," he said. Mr. Hosokawa is to leave later this week to attend a United Nations session in New York and meet President Bill Clinton.

Rebels on the Offensive, Angola Says

LUANDA, Angola (Reuters) — The Angolan government said Tuesday that UNITA was ignoring a unilateral cease-fire the rebel movement had declared and still was fighting to capture the besieged city of Chito.

Angolan state radio and diplomats reported continued lighting in other pages of Angolan state.

Angolan state radio and diplomats reported continued fighting in other parts of Angola, ranging from Quilengues in Hulla Province to Caxito, only 60 kilometers from the capital, Luanda.

A diplomat commented: "The prospects for peace don't seem to be favorable at the moment. Fighting seems to be continuing." UNITA radio insisted that the cease-fire was being observed and urged the United Nations to begin a new round of diplomatic contacts aimed at restarting

24 Killed in South African Attacks

JOHANNESBURG (AP) - In the second random attack in a day,

gunmen opened fire from a speeding van Tuesday south of Johannesburg and killed at least 18 people, police said.

Hours earlier, six people died when their taxi-van was ambushed by men with AK-47s on another highway south of Johannesburg. The attackers continued to blast away at the van after it crashed and overturned.

It was not immediately clear if the attacks were linked, but both were similar to other recent attacks in the area that have been linked to politics. As in the other ambushes, Tuesday's coincided with progress in black-white negotiations aimed at ending white rule.

2 Frenchmen Found Dead in Algeria

ALGIERS (AFP) — Two Frenchmen were found dead Tuesday a morning in Sidi Belabes, in western Algeria, becoming the first foreign? nationals to die in Algerian unrest, the national agency APS said, quoting official sources.

François Bertelet, 32, and Emmanuel Didion, 25, who were working as surveyors for a French company in Algeria, were seized Monday by a "terrorist group" as they were traveling to work, according to a source, using a term reserved for armed Muslim fundamentalists.

It is the first time that foreign nationals have been killed in Algeria

since the start of clashes between security forces and Islamic fundamentalists that began in January 1992. About 2,000 people, including security forces, fundamentalists and civilians, have died in the conflict so far.

For the Record

Garry Kasparov increased his commanding lead in the London world chess championship on Tuesday by defeating Nigel Short in the seventh game. Mr. Kasparov, the reigning champion, now leads the 24-game series 51/2 to 11/2.

An outlawed Protestant extremist group, the Ulster Freedom Fighters claimed responsibility for bombing the homes of four Irish nationalist politicians in Northern Ireland. No one was injured. (Reuters)

Correction

John Crow has been appointed chairman of the central bankers of the Group of Ten nations. The group was misidentified in a wire-service dispatch in editions of Sept. 15.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Traffic on the Paris Métro and suburban RER com expected to be disrupted Wednesday by a one-day strike, the city's rail

Truck operators in Bombay joined a nationwide truckers' strike on Tuesday, effectively shutting down cargo movement to and from India's

Naples ground to a complete hait Tuesday when a protest over unemployment paralyzed the center of the southern stalian city. The police said that traffic clogged the center and that bus service had to be suspended after 400 workers marched through the streets in a protest over job losses. from suspended public works projects.

Minister Girija Prasad Koirala seriously disrupted the Himalayan king-dom Tuesday. Most shops, offices, factories and schools in Katmandu and other towns were closed for the strike. (Reuters)

Italians Find Explosives On a Passenger Train

priest by the Sicilian Mafia last week. ROME - The police on Tuesday found a large explosive device

on a crowded passenger train traveling from Sicily to northern Italy, officials said. Interior Minister Nicola Man-

cino said the device, containing cight kilograms (18 pounds) of ex-plosives, was found in the last car-riage of the Palermo-Turin overnight train, which was carrying 400

Hundreds of police searched the train when it reached the station at Ostiense, on the outskirts of Rome, after the officials received a tip that explosives had been planted on the

Television reports said the device was believed to contain a type of

gunpowder. Mr. Mancino said the device lacked a detonator but that it was "fairly powerful and a detonator could have been added without any particular difficulty."

jump to conclusions. We are inves-

could have been planted to intimi-date the state. He compared the train bomb with the murder of a

"Let's not say straightaway it was the Mafia," he said, "Let's not

tigating the find."

Mr. Mancino said the explosives

people died and 150 were wound

In Italy's last train bombing, 16 on the Naples-Milan run just be-fore Christmas in 1984. Organized crime was blamed. Italy has been shaken this year

by a series of unexplained bomb attacks, mainly targeted at monu-ments. Officials have blamed them on the Mafia.

The police have dealt the Mafia devastating blows this year, start-ing with the arrest of the head of the Sicilian crime organization, Salvatore Riina, who was captured in Palermo on Jan. 15 after 18 years as a fugitive.

An assessment prepared last month by intelligence officials of the five car bombs that have exploded outside museums and churches in Rome, Florence and Milan since May said the message the Mafia was sending was that it wanted to negotiate a truce with the

Investigators believe the 10 deaths in this year's bomb attacks were accidental and that the Mafia wanted to show that it could have caused major loss of life by explod-ing the bombs in daytime instead

Terrorist Killed Self, **Bonn Told**

SCHWERIN, Germany - An independent forensic report on the death of the suspected German ur-ban guerrilla Wolfgang Grams con-cluded that he shot himself, state

justice officials said Tuesday. It rejected theories that a police agent had fired a fatal shot to the head of Mr. Grams in cold blood during a raid in June at a railroad station in the corthern town of Bad Keinen, said Herbert Helmrich, the Mecklenburg-Vorpommern state

The death of Mr. Grams and the subsequent problems that justice authorities had in explaining it, cost Interior Minister Rudolf Sciters and the chief federal prose-cutor, Alexander von Stahl, their

Mr. Helmrich said the report by forensic specialists at the Universi-ty of Muenster found that traces on Mr. Grams's own pistol indicated that he had fired the fatal shot

Mr. Grams, a member of the terrorist Red Army Faction, had been in the train station with another Red Army member, Birgit Hogefeld, and a police informer, Klaus Steinmetz, when agents of the elite police unit known as GSG-9 opened their attack. Miss Hogefeld was quickly apprehended but Mr. Grams fled up a flight of stairs. A shoot-out ensued, in which

one police agent was killed and other wounded. Police agents managed to subdue Mr. Grams on one of the station's tracks. He then was sbot and killed at point-blank

Earlier reports had established that Mr. Grams had been killed with his own gun, rather than any of the pistols carried by the police. But witnesses have said that police agents held Mr. Grams immobile for about 20 seconds, and that one of them shot him through the

in an indication of the controversy surrounding Mr. Gram's death, the Münster study was one of three commissioned by prosecutors from independent institutes.

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By Thomas L. Friedman New York Times Service He said that the old policy of containment, in which choices were easily made on the basis of whatever was necessary to stem the spread of Soviet influence, will he replaced by a policy of WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton's na-

A U.S. Foreign Policy Primer

Expanding Democracies Is Goal, Clinton Aide Says

tional security adviser on Tuesday presented the first outline of the administration's foreign policy vision, saying that it aimed to replace the Cold War policy of "containment" of the Soviet threat with a new policy of "enlargement" of the family of market democracies.

"The successor to a doctrine of containment must he a strategy of enlargement - enlargement of the world's free community of market democra-cies," said W. Anthony Lake, speaking at the School of Advanced International Studies of Johns Hopkins University.

The speech was delivered before President Boris N. Yeltsin announced that he was abolishing the Russian parliament and calling new elections, pre-senting the administration with a fresh foreign The Clinton administration has been criticized

by foreign policy experts for lacking a coherent framework for its decision-making on issues ranging from Bosnia to China. The public, though, seems to be warming to Mr.

Clinton's foreign policy. A New York Times/CBS News poll conducted late last week found that 52 percent of Americans approved of Mr. Clinton's handling of foreign policy and that only 25 percent disapproved, with 23 percent expressing no opin-A month earlier 42 percent approved, 42 disapproved and 16 expressed no opinion. The shift may

The essence of Mr. Lake's speech on Tuesday was that in a world in which the United States oo longer had to worry about a Soviet nuclear threat, where and how it intervened abroad was increas-

be due in part to the recent Arab-Israeli break-

ingly a matter of choice. What Mr. Lake tried to do was to lay out the broad principles oo which those choices would be

enlargement, in which choices are made on the basis of expand democracies, free markets and human rights at a reasonable cost to the United

"To be successful, a strategy of enlargement must provide distinctions and set priorities," Mr. Lake said. He cited four areas of choice that should

guide American foreign policy.

The highest priority in a strategy of enlargement, he said, "must be to strengthen the core of major market democracies, the bonds among them

and their sense of common interest."

Economic stagnation and its political consequences "undermine the ability of the major democratic powers to act decisively on our many com-mon challenges, from GATT to Bosnia," he said.

The imperative for a policy of calargement is to help democracy and markets expand and survive in places such as Russia, Eastern Europe and the former Communist lands "where we have the strongest security concerns and where we can make the greatest difference," Mr. Lake said. The idea is to transform formerly threatening

states into economic and diplomatic partners, be said. That means cootinging to press for interna-tional economic support for the fragile Russian reform efforts and taking tough public positions to staunch the reversal of democracy in places such as Haiti. Guatemala and Nigeria.

Another element of the strategy, Mr. Lake said, are the choices that have to be made to minimize "the ability of states outside the circle of democracy and markets to threaten it." American policy toward such states, he said, "must seek to isolate them diplomatically, militarily, economically and technologically."

Kangers Capture Aidid Aide

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches sider Mr. Atto to be General Ai-MOGADISHU, Somalia — U.S. did's No. 2 man. Army Rangers oo Tuesday cap-tured the chief aide to the fugitive Mohammed, warned all non-UN warlord Mohammed Farrah Aidid. foreigners in the capital to stay inwhose militia has been blamed for doors because "the city might ex-

killing scores of UN peacekeepers. General Aidid's supporters threatened attacks on UN bead-quarters and on foreigners if the aide, Osman Atto, was not quickly

About 50 of the Rangers arrested Mr. Atto and three other Aidid supporters, said a UN military sman, Major David Stock-

Militiamen opened fire on the least a dozen rocket-propelled gre-nades, but no U.S. forces were wounded in the 20-minute operation, Major Stockwell said. He described Mr. Atto, a sent to Somalia with the mission of wealthy Somali businessman, as seizing General Aidid himself. the principal adviser and chief it— Twice the Rangers made serious

A relative of Mr. Atto, Boran Mohammed, warned all non-UN

About 20 private relief workers and 15 journalists are known to be in Mogadishu. We will not accept any humiliation and we are ready to fight," Mr.

Major Stockwell said the UN force was taking extra security

He said the UN force had taken Militiamen opened fire on the into account "the potential emo-Rangers with small arms and at tional outburst that may follow

The capture was the first major success for the Rangers, who were

Aidid — raiding a UN office and arresting supporters of General Ai-did's chief enemy, Ali Mahdi Mo-

Major Stockwell said some militiamen were killed in the fighting. but oo civilian casualtics were reported. Unconfirmed Somali reports said General Aidid's forces suffered two dead and several

Major Stockwell said Mr. Atto vas arrested under the authority of UN Security Council Resolution 837, which calls for the punishment of those responsible for the deaths of 24 Pakistani peacekeepers in an ambush on June 5.

More than 27,000 foreign soldiers are involved in a UN operation to help Somalia recover from its famine and civil war. But the troops have wound up in almost daily battles with General Aidid's

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(Crucial Lawmaker **Comes Out Against North America Pact**

that he had made seven fact-finding trips to Mexico over the last three years in an effort to make sure that the proposed agreement would be beneficial to American

But he said that even with supplemental agreements negotiated by the Clinton administration, be had decided that the accord fell

short in a number of critical areas.
"Despite the best efforts of President Clinton and his administration to remedy the flaws in the Bush-oegotinted NAFTA, the agreement is not a sufficient force for progress," Mr. Gephardt said. "So today, I am announcing that I will vote against this NAFTA." His appouncement was seen as a

blow to President Cliotoo's chances for winning approval of the agreement, which would eliminate virtually all trade barriers among the United States, Mexico and Canada over the next 15 years. The leader of the Senate's majority Democrats, George J. Mitchell of Maine, said of Mr. Gephardt's announcement: "It's one vote against it by obviously a person who's highly respected. But I in-tend to make a statement for NAFTA today. So we will have one majority leader for it and one ma-

jority leader against it."

Opponents of the pact praised Mr. Gephardt's decision and said that, given his position in the House, it would likely sway a number of wavering votes to their side.

White House strategists in the battle, increasingly besieged, are planning a campaign in portray Ress Perot, the 1992 independent presidential candidate, as an extremist because of his unrelenting opposition to the trade alliance.

A fall counteroffensive is expected to include a series of television ads by the retired Chrysler chairman, Lee lacocca, a supporter of the trade pact with Mexico and

One reason the administration is paying closer attention to Mr. Perot than before, Democratic strategists suggested, is that the Texas billionaire is now making po-

HOAX:

Answer Is Thanks

although Mr. Bohlke did make bittle request: "When you would like to give me a little present, please send me n hand-painted Simpsons cartoon."

than Miss Allende or Miss Tan. although he concedes that even he wavered. For about 30 seconds. Then reality reasserted itself. He wrote on the letter, "Nice

Mr. Groening was more cynical

try," added a vulgarism, and sent it back to Neustadt. Then he devoted an issue of his weekly comic strip, "Life in Hell." to the letter and his

The result was an ongoing attempt to hoax the hoaxer. "I started thinking, what kind of person, would do this? What were the moti-

Using the pseudonym of "Robert White, Special Agent," Miss Tan wrote a mock-official letter in Rainer Bohlke. "Please be advised my office is investigating a series of postal fraud complaints, all from writers and artists in California, all traceable to you," the letter warned.

Miss Tan ended up incorporat-ing Mr. Boblke into her next novel, which now features a character who writes letters to people she thinks has wronged her. The woman offers to leave these individuals a considerable fortune, just in see how they respond. Ultimately, it's a method of revenge. Miss Tan is even considering changing the title from "The Year of No Flood" to "A Considerable Fortune." Maybe she's received a substan-tial gift after all.

mouse, Richard A. Gephardt, announced Tuesday that he would vote against the North American Free Trade Agreement, a decision hailed by opponents as "one more nail in the coffin" of the proposal Mr. Gephardt of Mr.

Mr. Gephardt of Mr.

Democratic base.

A week ago he enlisted former Presidents Jimmy Carter, Gerald R. Ford and George Bush at a White House rally for the trade pact. Mr. Carter fired the opening salvo in the effort to paint Mr.

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tential inroads into Mr. Clinton's

tremely careless with the truth." Administration officials hope Mr. Iacocca, in particular, can help hiunt Mr. Perot's contention that the pact would cost more than 5 million U.S. jobs and endanger the

When the Old Way of Government Thwarts the New

By Sam Howe Verhovek

AMARILLO, Texas - When the Clinton administration set out to reinvent government, a lot of budget watchdogs said that there was no better place to start than at the belium reserve here, a cluster of mines, pipes and cooling vats that was \$1.3 billion in debt.

But when President Bill Clinton's National Performance Review finally focused on the Cold War-era complex here on the high plains of the Texas Panhandle, it suggested this month that the program's debt he canceled by Congress and issued a vague call to "increase efficien-cies in helium operations."

Rather than becoming a model of reinvented government, the helium reserve -begun in the 1920s to inflate blimps and used today by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to boost rock-

politics and economics can sometimes converge to spare even the most controversial and seemingly unnecessary pro-

The politics part was simple. Amarillo's congressman, Bill Sarpalius, a conscrutive Democrat who proved to be a crucial vote in favor of the president's budget bill last month, spoke to Mr. Clinton four times on the day of the vote, repeatedly bringing up his concern about preserving the program, which provides 220 jobs in Amarillo.

"Sure I talked to the president about helium," Mr. Sarpalius said in an interview. "I talk to everyone I can in the government about helium. And when I had the opportunity to explain to him that this was not really a billion-dollar loss, that this is a program that makes money for the federal government, that there's another side to this picture, he was

fascinated by it. He was really interested

Critics of the debt-ridden program, conceived in the 1920s and then bolstered in the 1960s amid fears that America might run out of helium as its space program was rushing to put men ou the moon, have urged that it he abolished or

"We may conceivably in the future need ermine pelts and Grand Marnier,' said Pete Sepp, a spokesman for the National Taxpayers Union. "That doesn't mean the federal government needs to he in charge of stockpiling them."

But L. Dale Bippus, general manager of the Federal Helium Reserve of the Bureau of Mines, who oversees a stock-pile of 32 billion cubic feet, enough to supply current federal demands for the next too years, boasts of the federal pro-gram with the huge surplus — of helium. "We're the Fort Knox of helium," he said. "It was n wise investment, I think. We've got a tremendous asset here that we acquired at a reasonable price."

The economics of helium is complex. But, in essence, the problem is this: Although the government is sitting atop n helium supply worth \$1.6 billion at to-day's prices, there is no way it can simply sell off the gas and give the cash to the

Doing so, virtually everyone agrees, would lead to a collapse in the world helium market, quickly dropping the price to pennies on the taxpayers' investment dollars. As expensive as it was to get into the helium program, it could prove even more costly to leave.

Financially speaking, projections in 1960 that the government would make money in the helium business proved wildly inflated. Founded with a taxpayer loan of \$352 million, the program is now \$1.3 billion in debt, even though the gov-

ernment charges its own agencies 20 per-cent more for helium than the going rato in private industry. Not that it has to worry about the competition: Federal law prohibits federal agencies from buy ing helium anywhere except at the federal

Defenders of the reserve say it is a moneymaker because it returned \$28 million to the Treasury last year while costing only \$15 million in operate. But critics say these figures are misleading because it is all government money any-

"It's an affront to the free enterprise system," said Representative C. Christo-pher Cox, a California Republican, who has emerged as the chief congressional critic of the reserve. "It's a hoary example of socialism, of state-run industry, at a time when the whole world has rejected

Can Clinton Cut Health Costs? Experts in Disbelief

By Steven Greenhouse

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — A wide range of experts, including economists, consultants and members of Congress, say that President Bill Clinton's health care plan will not cut costs nearly as much as the administration hopes and will actually increase the federal budget deficit instead of cutting it, as the

administration promises. The experts, both Democratie and Republican, used terms like "not credible," "difficult," "wildly optimistic" and "illucritics of the plan say the only way the administration could achieve such bold savings is through broad cuts in medical services — which they say would probably he politically unacceptable. They assert, for example, that much of the planted \$134 billion in Medicare cuts are religiously.

politically unacceptable. They assert, for example, that much of the planned \$124 billion in Medicare cuts are politically and technically impossible to carry out by the year 2000.
"It's very ambitious," said Henry Aaron, an economist and health policy expert at the Brookings Institution. "My feeling is they're reaching a long way for cost containment. Technically, it's not impossible. The question is whether it's politically achievable and sustainable."

But administration officials argue that there is so much inefficiency waste and feared in the system that have savings.

inefficiency, waste and fraud in the system that huge savings can he squeezed out by injecting more competition and

They assert that their financing estimates have been put together in good faith, contain line-by-line spending cuts and have been checked and rechecked, using many outside

numbers, they come from a process that is unprecedented,"
Hillary Rodham Clinton said,

On Monday, she met with more than 200 members of Congress and told them that major savings could be made in Medicare and Medicaid.

A draft of the plan given to members of Congress shows that by 1998 the administration plans to slash in half the growth in the nation's overall health care spending government and private — which is rising by 9.4 percent a year. The administration hopes to do this by creating a more

competitive, more efficient system.

The plan also projects coughly \$350 billion in new federal health spending from 1994 to 2000 but estimates that the government will raise \$441 billion in the same period, through new revenues and cuts in existing programs. This would leave \$91 billion to cut the federal budget deficit.

A vigorous debate has erupted over the health care plan even before Mr. Clinton presents it in a speech to a joint

session of Congress on Wednesday. Many of the experts interviewed were skeptical, based on what they know so far, that the administration could achieve the savings it envisions. The draft of the plan also promises to cut the growth in private health care spending in half by 1999 and to slash by more than half the 11.6 percent annual wth in the Medicare program for the elderly from 1994 to

"It seems like an awfully big bite over that period of time," said Lawrence S. Lewin, chairman of Lewin-VHI, a health-

policy consulting firm. He said he was sympathetic with the administration's proposals but suggested that it was promising too much too fast. "It will be difficult, but it's not

Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Democrat of New York, who is chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, had earlier called the administration's promise to hold down Medicare and Medicaid spending and cut the budget deficit "fantasy." But this week he voiced confidence that Congress would porove health care legislation.

Some economists sound as skeptical as they did when President Ronald Reagan pledged to increase Pentagon spending, cut taxes and reduce the budget deficit all at once. These economists wonder how Mr. Clinton's plan can extend health coverage in 37 million uninsured Americans offer important new services like long-term home health care and still promise to reduce the deficit by \$91 billion from 1994 to 2000.

"The deficit reduction piece is the ultimate touch of chutzpah in what is one of the most unrealistic financing schemes I've ever seen," said Gail Wilensky, a health care expert who administered the Medicare and Medicaid programs under President George Bush. "I expected a more modest benefit package and a real but not too painful tax increase, or else more expensive benefits linked to a larger, more painful tax increase. I was surprised when they pro-posed big benefits but little in the way of taxes. The linancing isn't credible."

Cuba Military

In Bad Shape,

Defector Says

New York Times Service

MIAMI - A Cuban Air Force pilot who defected to the United

States last week says his country's economic crisis under Fidel Castro has grown so severe that the na-tion's military elito and its equip-ment and morale are being hurt.

Captain Enio Ravelo Rodriguez, who defected Friday, said that one

concern that led him to fly a MiG-

21 jet trainer to Florida from an air base near Havana was his fear of a ar revolt in which he wou he called upon to fight against his

people. Many colleagues, he said,

share that anxiety.
"We are now the oppressed," he

said of Cuba's military, which long enjoyed special privileges as n reward for its tole as "guardians of the Cuban Revolution." He said that in his own case the food sup-

plied to his family was "barely enough to maintain them."

He also said that worsening economic conditions had led to a sharp

decline in military maintenance

standards, since the government

could no longer afford to spend the money to keep equipment in top fighting condition.

Captain Ravelo, 32, described himself as a veteran of Cuba's war

in Angola. He left behind his wife

and n 2-year-old daughter, saying that he hoped they would he al-lowed to join him in the United

Community Service Piedge Becomes Reality

WASHINGTON — Surrounded by young people in a campaign-style rally, President Bill Clinton has christened his plan to energize a generation of youths, enabling college students to earn tuition

money by performing public service.

The president was signing the National and Community Service
Trust Act, brandishing two historic pens: one used by President John
F. Kennedy to establish the Peace Corps and another used by
President Franklin D. Roosevelt to create the Civilian Conservation

Corps.
With a rock band blaring his campaign anthem, "Don't Stop
(Thinking About Tomorrow)," Mr. Clinton was introduced amid lond cheers. Eli Segal, White House director of the plan, said, "Our national service plan is bold and new, but it is also built on the

The plan allows 20,000 participants in 1994, which is a higher total than ever achieved by the Peace Corps. Another 33,000 could be involved the second year and 47,000 in the third.

(AP)

For Mrs. Clinton, a Healthy Dose of Respect

WASHINGTON — Within days of taking office, President Bill Clinton named his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, to head his Health Care Reform Task Force. Her chairmanship expired in May, but she has continued to hammer out details with key congressional committee members. Interviews with several of them show that it was time

The early sniping about a "Billary" administration seems to have given way to bipartisan approval of Mrs. Clinton's stewardship. No less n critic than the Senate minority leader, Boh Dole, Republican of Kansas, who has had three meetings with Mrs. Clinton, said that her willingness to talk has been encouraging. "Nobody has staked out n position and said, 'Well, if you don't agree with this, then you're obstructing what we want to do or you're partisan,' " he said.

In the 200-plus days Mrs. Clinton has lived in the White House. aides say, she has consulted with lawmakers more than 100 times.

More than 40 meetings were held between early June and last week. She picked her appearances with care and controlled media access.

"She knows where the bodies are buried, who will be for and against something," says Representative John J. LaFalce, a New York Democrat and chairman of the Small Business Committee. "I probably shouldn't say it, but she is so smart and I like her so much that I feel like squeezing her."

Quote/Unquote

Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, speaking at the signing ceremony Tuesday for the national service act:
"National and community service is one of the best investments we can make for the generations to come. In a sense, the passage of this legislation marks the end of the 'me' era in our national life." (AP)

Away From Politics

• Georgia commuted a three-year sentence in a \$20 ice-cream theft by n I7-year-old black youth, Dehundra Caldwell of Atlanta, and instead put him on two years' probation. Under terms of the probation, he would get a full pardon on the day of his high school graduation in 1995 if he tutors at least one person and stays out of

 The police arrested two men in the fatal beating of a Turkish student in Tampa, Florida, but they said his killing apparently was unrelated to the murders of nine foreign tourists in that state over the past year.

• Four U.S. Marines were killed in the second fatal training exercise in 13 days involving helicopters. The Marines, based at Camp Pendleton, California, were aboard a UH-1 Huev helicopter when it

 A California man was sentenced to death in Napa, California, for killing his high school civics teacher, who had flunked him and prevented him from graduating. Eric Houston, 22, was found guilty in July of n May 1992 rampage at the school in Olivehurst, 40 miles (64 kilometers) north of Sacramento, during which he killed the teacher and three students. NYT. Reuters, LAT. AP



REMEMBERING CRAZY HORSE — Workers chipping and blasting away at what will be an equestrian statue of Crazy Horse, whose forces provided General George A. Custer with his famous Last Stand of 1876, in South Dakota's Black Hills. Korczak Ziolkowski, who helped to carve the presidential heads at Mount Rushmore, began work in 1946. No completion date has been set.

AMERICAN

TOPICS

Buying a Quake-Proof Bed

In Case the Earth Does Move An earthquake-proof bed? It seemed a nat-ural for Los Angeles, which sits ntop the San Andreas Fault, And so Jon Ward, who makes

racing cars and studio props, devised a "bet-ter bedstead for the Big One," Paul Dean reports in the Los Angeles Times. Mr. Ward, 56, built his four-poster of black-iron pipes two inches (about 5 centimeters) thick, two in each corner. A steel-mesh top would stop falling plaster. Weight: 650 pounds (nearly 300 kilograms), so don't stub your toe in the dark. It could be assembled with simple household tools.

He advertised it on TV, showing a prop house collapsing on a bed with Ward en-sconced, untouched, under the covers. But so far, not one bed has been sold.

The price tag might he a factor. At \$2,999, the Times noted, "the Earthquake Bed certainly carries sticker aftershock."

Mr. Ward cotes that the bed also offers protection against hurricanes, gas-stove ex-plosions, terrorist bombings, mis-swung wreckers' balls, wayward trucks and light airplanes making crash landings.
"It does appear people are more concerned.

with buying a Hyundai or a wide-screen TV than investing in their own safety," he said. "Like seat belts, they don't start wearing them until they get a ticket."

Short Takes

Indigo, a left-handed poet who uses only one name, organized an evening of readings at a Manhattan cafe for left-handed poets at a Mannattan care for left-handed poets only. Mr. Indigo, 24, a student nt Hunter College, waxed poetic about left-handers. "I've always had the feeling that left-handed people were more creative," he told The New York Times. "They learn nt an early age to do everything in the way that right-handed people do, so they need in show initiative."

"The Mafia Cookbook," just published by Simon & Schuster, was written by Joseph lannuzzi after he spilled the beans about his Cosa Nostra colleagues and was given a safe haven by the federal witness protection program. When cooking for the moh, he writes, he used plenty of heavy sances because "any meal may be their last, so it better he a good one." Successful robberies were celebrated with steak. "But if they went out and hurt somebody or killed them, accidentally or whatever, they didn't want no red meat at all. So I'd make a shrinap scampi gambino in-stead." Were any of the deeds gruesome enough in bring loss of appetite? "No way," the author says. "Funggeddaboutit."

Jerry Gianville, coach of the National Foot-ball League's Atlanta Falcous, says of his 300-pound rookie offensive guard, Lincoln Kennedy, "He can be a great player in this league for a long time if he learns to say two words:

Arthur Highee

U.S. Agents Reportedly Halted Mubarak Plot

off their plan to kill President tors, said government agents had Hosni Mubarak of Egypt after U.S. warned the conspirators' spiritual government agents paid a visit in a leader, Sheikh Omar Abdel Rableading conspirator in a separate man, that they were aware of the as replying that FBI and CIA

plot to blow up New York land-marks, a oewspaper said Tuesday.

The New York Post, quoting transcripts of a taped conversation

The New York Post, quoting than 1,000 pages of transcripts, know what you are going to do and quotes Mr. Salem as asking the

NEW YORK — Assassins called Salem, and some of the conspirations in their plan to kill President tors, said government agents had never went ahead with the Mubarak assassination in April.

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Rabin Seeks a 'Jewish Majority' on Pact

Mr. Rabin waiting Tuesday for heckling to die down in the Knesset.

The challenge:

TO KEEP 190,000 AIRCRAFT OUT OF

EACH OTHER'S AIRSPACE.

Both leaders were roundly beckled as parliament began what probably would be at least two full days of debate, with nearly every one of the 120 members of the governing body expected to speak before one of the most important legislative votes in the country's 45-year histo-

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service
JERUSALEM — Putting his

overnment's fate on the line.

rime Minister Yitzhak Rabin ap-

pealed to parliament Monday to

approve his peace agreement with

the Palestine Liberation Organiza-

tion, calling the accord "hope for

an end to tears" and to the hundred

years' war between Arabs and Jews

in rebuttal, the main opposition

figure, Benjamin Netanyahu of the Likud Party, demanded elections,

accusing the government of reneg-

ing on promises and of mistaking hope for reality, which, he said, was

that Israel now stood in mortal

"The goal, before peace, must be life," Mr. Netanyahu said.

but first we want to give life a

"We want to give peace a chance.

in this battle-weary land.

Because the PLO agreement involves territory that many Israelis

sidered by some observers to be even more important than the one in 1978 that approved the so-called Camp David accords, which led a year later to a peace treaty between

Israel and Egypt.
And Mr. Rabin further raised the stakes Tuesday by saying that he regarded this as a vote of confidence in his 14-month-old government, suggesting that he would dissolve parliament and call elections if he were to lose,

That seemed a slim prospect,

At the least, the prime minister expects a wbisker-thin majority of 61 votes by relying on 44 members from his Labor Party, 12 from the allied Meretz bloc and and 5 from 2 small Arah parties supporting him on this issue from outside the current governing coalition.

But there has been a swirling dispute for days over whether Mr. Rabin can claim a genuine mandate for his policies if he must count on the vote of Arab legislators, instead of being able to demonstrate that he has an unmistakable "Jewish majority" for a policy that most Israelis consider a life-

ardently religious Shas party, depicting Mr. Rabin wearing Yas-which belongs to the Rabin coali-tion but is considering the possibility of leaving it, say they will vote against the agreement unless there is a plebiscite

How Shas's six lawmakers will vote is a crucial question, but eycrything depends on the final word ning from their spiritual mentor, Rabbi Ovadiah Yosef, who held talks with the prime minister Tues-

Most Labor leaders are cool to the idea of a referendum despite tionally Muslim quarter to Damasopinion polls that show them commanding a solid majority for the Palestinian flags.

Mr. Rabin gets his majority — that is almost a foregone conclusions but whether it is broadly perceived introduce Palestinian self-rule to as sufficient to enable him to continue hard negotiations with the and Gaza Strip. PLO in coming months.

Waving blue and white Israeli flags, thousands of demonstrators gathered at dusk near parliament to protest the peace accord.

to national security, the vote is con-

Religious yarmulkes were much in evidence among the crowd as they booed Mr. Rabin's name and applanded speakers who were calling for the country to hold onto "Eretz Israel."

Earlier, there were a few tense moments as several thousand Jewish demonstrators prayed at the Western Wall in the Old City and then marched through the tradicus Gate as Arab youths waved

Israeli radio not the number of In the end, it seems likely that much will depend not on whether Mr. Rabin sets his machine. protest two weeks ago after details came known about the plan to

But leaders of rightist parties and groups of settlers in the occu-pied territories accuse both the po-lice and the radio of giving in to government pressure to understate "Liars and traitors are negotiat-ing with terrorists," said a hand-streets.

Receiving Rabbi, Pope Voices Wish To Visit Holy Land

By John Tagliabue

ROME - Pope John Paul II, expressing a wish to "travel in pilgrimage once again to the Holy Land," received the chief rabbi of Israel's Ashkenazi Jews on Tuesday in a meeting that the Vatican said was designed to provide the Middle East's political leaders

moral support to reach peace accords.

The half-hour meeting, at the Pope's summer residence of Castel Gandolfo outside Rome, was the first such encounter between a Roman Catholic pontiff and one of Israel's chief rahbis since the founding of the Jewish state in 1948. The pontiff and the rabbi, Yisrael Meir Lau, both natives of

Poland, welcomed each other with the word shalom, or peace, then exchanged words in Polish before switching to English for the remainder of their meeting. Rabbi Lau repeated an invitation for the pontiff to visit Jerusalem

that had already been extended by the Israeli government. According to a Vatican description of the visit, Pope John Paul replied, "I hope divine providence will permit me one day to travel in pilgrimage once again to the Holy Land." As Archbishop Karol Wojtyla of Krakow, Poland, he visited Israel in December 1963.

But Rabbi Lau said after the meeting that he had received no firm date for a papal visit. The Pope limited himself to smiling, and said the time of his visit

was approaching." he said.

The visit by Rabbi Lau, who was in Italy to attend a meeting of religious leaders from numerous faiths in Milan, clearly reflected a revival of intentions to resolve issues dividing Israel and the Vatican following the peace breakthrough between Israel and the Palestin-

Rabbi Lau was accompanied by the Israeli ambassador to Italy. Avi Pazner, a member of the commission that is working to pave the way for the establishment of full diplomatic recognition of Israel by the Vatican.

Mr. Pazner said following the visit that the Vatican and Israel were enjoying "a very good atmosphere in relations" and that "the day is

In Israel, the visit met harsh criticism. Rabbi Shlomo Goren, a predecessor of Rabbi Lau as head of the Ashkenazi Jews in the 1970s, denounced it on Israeli radio as "blasphemy beyond expres-

KANTOR: U.S. Turns Down EC

Continued from Page 1 House cannot be a guise for modi-

fying the terms of the agreement achieved in November 1992," it said. It added that the Blair House agreement "reflected a difficult compromise which the United States accepted in its entirety."

The Blair House agreement, it

said, was "minimally acceptable" to the United States and to the European Community's other trading partners. The accord calls for a 21 percent cut in the volume of EC farm exports over the next six

"Plans for a meeting between myself and Sir Leon Brittan have been under way and predate the jumbo council meeting," Mr. Kan-tor said, referring to the EC meet-ing. Sir Leon, the EC trade commissioner, Leon is scheduled to meet Mr. Kantor in Washington next week

"Reopening the Blair House reement will not be on our agen-" Mr. Kantor said.

Prime Minister Edouard Balla-

dur of France, in praising the EC's statement earlier in the day, had said: "Nothing is a given. The discussion will reopen on an international level. France will decide its position when the time comes, upon seeing the results."

After the EC ministers' session, which lasted far into Monday night, Sir Leon said he would seek an amplification and interpretation" of the farm subsidy agreement when he meets Mr. Kantor. Mr. Kantor's statement, however, seemed to offer no such pros-

from President Bill Clinton that the EC should not try to renegotiate the deal. The statement added that the United States intended to complete the Uruguay Round of the GATT

ect, echoing instead a warning

trade talks by the Dec. 15 deadline. In Paris, Mr. Juppé said in a radio interview that if Sir Leon did not gain ground with Washington, "France will not accept the Blair

House agreement as it stands."



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WASHINGTON - The military situation in Moscow appears calm, and there have been no unusual movements of troops in Russia's political crisis, the Pentagon said Tuesday.

The statement from a Defense Department spokeswoman, Kathleen deLaski, came as the Russian Defense Ministry vowed to remain neutral in the crisis.

"There have been no deployments of forces out of barracks." Ms. deLaski said. "No unusual movement of strategic or conventional forces.

She said Russia's nuclear missiles apparently remained under safe central control. The Joint Chiefs of Staff "tells us that, to the best of their knowledge, the nukes are under positive control," she

Basically, the Russian Defense Ministry issued a statement that the military will remain neutral," Ms. deLaski said.

In Moscow, a Defense Ministry spokesman said the country's armed forces would stay out of the conflict between Boris N. Yeltsin and parliament. He told the Itar-Tass news agency that the armed forces would obey the constitution and, "as in the past, maintain strict

Jet Downed In Georgia, Killing 27

TBILISI, Georgia — At least 27 people were killed Tuesday when an airliner was shot down while trying to land in the Abkhazian capital, Sukhumi, during fighting between separatists and Georgian

government troops.
Russian and Georgian officials said the jet had crashed into the

The Russian authorities said the plane had been shot down by an unidentified gunboat in the Black Sea. Georgian officials, however, said it was unclear whether the fire had come from land or sea.

Alexander Berulava, a spokesman for Georgia's defense minister, said 22 passengers and six crew members had been killed, including a Spanish journalist whose body was later recovered.

Mr. Berulava said a similar plane carrying a delegation of Georgian ocgotiators was shot at earlier in the day as it was flying from Sukhumi to Sochi, in southern Russia. but managed to land safely.

It was unclear whether the other plane, which was shot down, had been carrying the delegation on its return to Sukhumi.

Georgian ocgotiators frequently shuttle between Sukhumi and Sochi, where talks are being held. In addition, planes sometimes fly ref-uges from Sukhumi to Sochi.

The crash came as Georgian troops were battling the separatist Abkhazian fighters just outside of Sukhumi, where the Georgian leadcr, Eduard A. Shevardnadze, remained encamped.

There can be no talk about any kind of withdrawal from Sukhumi," he said on Georgian state television. Such a pullout was urged Tuesday by the Russian defense minister, Pavel S. Grachev.



Vice President Rutskoi, seated, conferring with deputies after President Yeltsin dissolved parliament.

A Partial Text of the Decree

Following is an excerpt of the text of President Boris N. Yeltsin's decree on the dissolution of the Russian parliament:

A political situation endangering the state and social security of the country has been created in the Russian Federation. The direct opposition to social and economic

reform, the open, daily obstruction of the policies of the president of the Russian Federation elected by popular vote, and attempts at usurping the. functions of the executive power in place of the Council of Ministers, provide full evidence that the majority in the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Federation and a part of its leadership have chosen the path of trampling on the will of the Russian people expressed in the referendum of April 25, 1993.

It means a flagrant violation of the law on . referendums, according to which decisions taken in an all-Russian referendum have supreme juridical power, do oot require any confirmation and are binding on the entire territory of the Russian Federation.

The Congress [nf People's Deputies] and the Supreme Soviet are undertaking systematic and ever-more active efforts to usurp oot only executive but even judicial functions.

At the same time, not only have they failed to work out a legislative basis for the realization of the Federative Treaty but also their decisions often go against the federative nature of the Russian

Constitutional reform in the Russian Federation has practically been wound up. The Supreme Soviet is blocking the decisions of the congresses of the Russian Federation to adopt a new constitution.

The regulations, the procedure of working out and adopting decisions, are systematically violated by the Supreme Soviet in their day-to-day work.

Voting on behalf of absent deputies has become a matter-of-fact practice during the sessions, effec-tively meaning the liquidation of popular represen-In this way the foundations themselves of the

constitutional system of the Russian Federation are being destroyed: the sovereignty of the people, the separation of powers, federalism. The principle itself of parliamentarianism which has not yet had time to come to life and get established in the Russian Federation is being discredited.

In present circumstances the only means of ending the confrontation between the Congress, the Supreme Soviet on the one hand, and the president and the government on the other, as well as overcoming the paralysis of state power in a way corresponding to the principle of the power of the copic, is by electing a new parliament of the Russian Federation.

Such elections are not early elections to the Congress of the People's Deputies of the Russian Federation and the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Federation, and do not infringe the will of the people expressed in the referendum on April 25,

The necessity to hold elections is dictated by the fact that the Russian Federation is a new state that has come to replace the R.S.F.S.R. [Russian Soviet Federative Socialist Republie] within the Soviet Union and which has become an internationally recognized successor to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Taking into account that the existing constitu-tion of the Russian Federation does not provide for adopting a new constitution, political parties and movements, groups of deputies, participants to the Constitutional Assembly, public representatives have more than once addressed the president of the Russian Federation with proposals to call elections to the new federal parliament without

equivocally supportive, of Boris N. Yeltsin's disbanding of the Russian parliament, reflecting the trend in

West European capitals. "We have consistently supported the process of democratic and economie reform in Russia," a Foreign Office statement said, adding, "We want it to continue."

The statement noted that Mr. Yeltsin had had to take "exceptional steps in exceptional circumstances." "President Yeltsin was Russia's

Democratic support for him and his policies was confirmed in last April's referendum '

democratic process and the process of economic reform. At the moment we are trying to work out the nature of what has happened. It is not clear to us yet."

first popularly elected president,

Prime Minister John Major was

A British spokesman said that the Moscow ambassadors of all the Group of Seven industrialized nations - Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the United States — were given an hour's notice of the decision.

In Paris, Prime Minister Edouard Balladur lamented that Western Europe had failed to support East European states in their difficult but critically important transition toward democracy.

Asked during a television appearance to comment on the situation in Moscow, Mr. Juppe said: Who has democratic legitimacy? President Yeltsin." "I hope with all my heart," he

added, "that the reformists who are ready to stand before universal suffrage will come out on top."

The British statement was more circumspect on the question of the

December elections. "President Yeltsin has made it clear that he is taking exceptional steps in exceptional circumstances until there have been new and demransition toward democracy. ocratic parliamentary elections, to Foreign Minister Alain Juppé be held by Dec. 11-12," it said. "It

who should rule, and under what

In Stockholm, Prime Minister Carl Bildt called Mr. Yeltsin's dissolution of parliament "regrettable

He said on Swedish television that he did not believe Mr. Yeltsin's move would lead to civil war.

This is a parliament which dates from Soviet times," Mr. Bildt said. "It refused to go for election. So in some circumstances one ends up in a regrettable but necessary

A government spokesman in Bonn said that Germany was concerned by events in Russia but was not yet prepared to comment.

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YELTSIN: Disbanding of Parliament Hurls Russia Into Political Chaos

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for anything, but God save us from doing that."

Moscow streets seemed quiet, with kiosks operating as usual, peo-ple walking dogs and cars speeding by. A few hundred protesters, mostly middle-aged, gathered around the parliament building waving red Soviet flags.

SUPPORT: Clinton's Backing

Continued from Page 1 last week, Russia's foreign minister, Andrei V. Kozyrev, disclosed that there might be a showdown with the parliament within a matter of days, a senior administration of-

ficial said. But Mr. Kozyrev, who was in Washington for last week's signing of the Israeli-Palestinian accord, did not tell Mr. Christopher directly that Mr. Yeltsin would dissolve the parliament, the official said. Senior administration officials said that they had assumed that

Mr. Yeltsin would give the parlia-

ment an ultimatum, but did not expect him to dissolve it. A senior official acknowledged that Mr. Yelstin "does not have great timing," ooting that the Sen-

appears to be on a different order ni magnitude with great risks, even for a man such as Mr. Yeltsin who has made a career of dramatic risk-Instead of the vague threats of the past, he has announced concrete steps that leave no room for compromise and also put him, for ate, insists the aid should move the first time, clearly outside the battered framework of Russia's So-

support he may need to enforce his This week he made a well-publi-Inside the parliament building

where all government telephones had been turned off, Mr. Khasbu-Dzerzhinsky Division outside Moslatov declared: "I turn to all serrumored last night to be moving toward the city. Parliament, meanwhile, having lost badly to Mr. Yeltsin in a national vote of confidence this April. is a much less confident opponent

> possibility of elections to a new The leadership is badly split, and

MODENA, Italy - Mikhail S. Gorbachev criticized President Boris N. Yeltsin for dissolving the Russian parliament and calling elections for a new legislature.

what he did," the Italian news agency ANSA quoted the former Soviet president as saying. Informed of the events in Moscow after a speech during a visit to Italy, he said: " didn't know about it. If that is what he did, it's a foolish and

It is unclear why Mr. Yeltsin In his speech Tuesday he said he could no longer tolerate that the parliament was continually frustrating constitutional and economic reforms. By its "fruitless, senseless and destructive struggle," he

Mr. Yeltsin acknowledged that he was violating the constitution, which is left over from the Soviet era and has been amended by his opponents hundreds of times to thwart his reforms and tie his hands. But Yeltsin said he had no choice.

said. The past days have de-stroyed any hope of restoring any constructive cooperation." Mr. Yeltsin denied that his actions were designed merely to strengthen his own hand as Russia's ruler and said that once a new legislature was elected and work-Mr. Yeltsin denied that his aclegislature was elected and work-

The Russian leader also warned that if he failed, not only Russia but also "the whole world" would face the "catastrophic collapse of the Russian state, the reign of anar-CHAUFTER CAR From Heathre chy in a country possessing a huge arsenal of nuclear weapons."

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ate is poised to vote on the foreignaid bill, which includes a large aid package for Russia. But Senator Patrick J. Leahy, the Vermoot Democrat who shepherded the administration's huge Russian aid package through the Sen-

ahead in order to bolster Mr. Yelt-

sin's standing.

Mr. Rutskoi, after lawmakers voted to name him president, is-sued his first "decree," nullifying Mr. Yeltsin's action and ordering all government leaders to obey him and the parliament.

vicemen, policemen and employees of the Security Ministry with a demand not to obey criminal orders coming from the president." Russia's top jurist, Valeri D. Zorkin, head of the Constitutional Court, joined Mr. Khasbulatov and offered his support. The court, which has frequently ruled against Mr. Yeltsin, was meeting in emer-

gency session.

Similar tense confrontations between Mr. Yeltsin, 62, and the parliament have occurred in the past, leading to impeachment votes and presidential edicts, but they always laded into messy nonagreements as both sides backed down. In March, for iostaoce, Mr. Yeltsin announced that he was declaring presidential rule, but he never explained precisely what that meant and ultimately backed away it when the Constitutional Court. parliament and even some supporters warned it would lead to civil

However, the current situation

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Yeltsin's Move Is 'Foolish,' Gorbachev Says

Yeltsin had oo right to do undemocratic thing to do."

viet-era constitution. He also appears to be willing for the first time to risk testing the loyalty of the military, police and KGB, whose of People's Deputies, which under the constitution is the sole body empowered to impeach Mr. Yelt-

cized trip to the Interior Ministry's cow. It is this division that was choice this precise moment to act. than in the past. Many of its mem-said, it was driving Russia toward bers are already preparing for the complete "paralysis" that would wreck the state.

> "It is impossible not only to implement difficult reforms, but to maintain elementary order." he

> ing he would agree to early elections for president. Mr. Yeltsin was elected to a live-year term in 1991.

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Cambodia Passes New Constitution

By William Branigin Washington Post Service
PHNOM PENH — Cambodia on Tuesday passed a new constitution that restores the monarchy. clearing the way for the ailing Prince Norodom Sihanouk to retern as king with limited powers.

By a vote of 113 to 5 with 2 abstentions, the 120-member Constiment Assembly, elected in May in UN-sponsored polls, formally approved the creation of a pluralistic "liberal democracy" under the new charter for this war-shattered country of 9 million people.

"We have chosen the constitu tional monarchy, having a king who reigns but does not govern," said Son Sann, 81, the speaker of the assembly. "In this context, the king renounces all the powers to the benefit of the people."

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The passage of the constitution marks one of the final milestones of an ambitious UN-sponsored peace plan designed to end more than two decades of war, revolution, foreign occupation and civil strife.

A \$1.7 billion, 22,000-member UN peacekeeping mission appears to have created the framework of a fragile hut workable democracy, with the radical Khmer Rouge guerrillas increasingly margina-lized and wracked by defections. But it is unclear whether the im-

minent end of the peacekeeping mandate will be followed by democratic government, or by the continued domination of the former Communist Party that lost the May elections but still controls the security forces and provincial adminis-

A late addition to the charter effectively bars the Khmer Rouge from joining a new government to be created shortly, diplomats said.

The radical Communist group. which has been waging a guerolla war since its ouster from power in 1979, refused to participate in the May elections and has no elected representatives.

The constitution requires that government ministers and deputy ministers be chosen from parties represented in the assembly, thus apparently precluding high-level Khmer Rouge participation in the government. Such participation had been suggested by Prince Sihanouk, but was seen as a major obstacle to U.S. aid for Cambodia.

In a message from Beijing, where be is undergoing medical treat-ment, the prince, 70, congratulated the assembly for "an extremely democratic and liberal constitution, of which our country and its valiant people have every reason to be proud.

Prince Sihanouk said be planned to visit Phnom Penh on Thursday to sign the new constitution and bid farewell to the UN peacekeeping mission before flying back to Beijing Sept. 26 for surgery.

Editor Quits At Paper in Hong Kong

HONG KONG (Reuters) - The editor of Hong Kong's Sunday Morning Post, Peter Lynch, has resigned, shortly after the newspaper published an apology to mainland Chi-nese officials for alleging a major fraud.

An internal memo issued Tuesday to the staff of the newspaper, which is owned by Rupert Murdoch, announced Mr. Lynch's resignation "with regret" but gave no reason for his departure.

Earlier this month the newspaper and its stablemate, the South China Morning Post, published statements of regret that the articles had been published. They alleged that Chi-nese officials had siphoned off \$28 billion. The official People's Daily newspaper later said the newspapers' publish-ers had agreed to pay \$320,000 to charity.

The Sunday Morning Post has also run a series of articles about an explosion last year at a Hong Kong power station that killed two workers. Mr. Lynch has been reported to Attorney General Jeremy Mathews for possible prosecution for contempt of court.

A Chinese Is Picked As Top Patten Aide

The Associated Press HONG KONG - In a striking

reminder of Britain's approaching departure from Hong Kong, Anson Chan was named chief secretary on Tuesday, the first Chinese to gain the No. 2 job in the colonial gov-

Mrs. Chan, 53, a career civil servant, will also be the first woman to hold the post, which is second only to the London-appointed governor.
In choosing Mrs. Chan, Gover-

nor Chris Patten appeared to be sending the Chinese a double message: that he is committed to leav-ing the colony in the hands of its native elite when Beijing takes over in 1997, and that he wants to do it on his own terms.

Mrs. Chan has staunchly backed Mr. Patten's proposals for broademing democracy in Hong Kong in the face of fierce objections from China, which says that Britain has no right to impose its parliamentary structures on the colony. Mrs. Chan said that Mr. Patten had sought democratic changes that were "fair, open, transparent

and acceptable to the people of Hong Kong."

"And of course, we all fully support that," she said.

Mrs. Chan declined, however, to be drawn into criticizing China's human rights record or its opposition to democratizing Hong Kong. She said she was confident that "Hong Kong has a bright and promising future" under Chinese rule, provided both sides negotiate the transition in good faith.

Mrs. Chan is now secretary of the civil service, and will succeed Sir David Ford, the outgoing chief secretary, in November. "To be absolutely frank, that

spirit of cooperation and goodwill seems to ebh and flow," she said in reply to a question about the British-Chinese negotiations on Hong

Kong.
"But I am sure that both the the years remaining to achieve a smooth transition are not all that

Mrs. Chan is described by colleagues as a tough, highly princi-pled technocrat. But some find her too tough.

"She's colonial in the sense of being very autocratic," said Albert Chan, a member of the Legislative

He conceded that Mrs. Chan was "a good and capable person to de-fend Patten's blueprint." But he said he feared that her no-nonsense style would alienate Beijing offi-

"She's not the type of person who will spend time developing a social relationship first," Mr. Chan

Mrs. Chan said that being Chinese would make it "easier for me to communicate with them."

C. L. Sulzberger, Journalist, Dies at 80

By Robert D. McFadden

New York Times Service NEW YORK — C.L. Sulzberger, 80, a prize-winning foreign correspondent and foreign affairs columnist for The New York Times for nearly 40 years and the author of two dozen books, most of them on foreign policy and world leaders in the Cold War era, died Monday at his home in Paris.

Mr. Sulzberger, who gave up his York Times in 1978 but continued writing his memoirs and books on

The son of Leo Sulzberger, he was a nephew of Arthur Hays Sulzberger, publisher of The New York Times from 1935 to 1961. He was also a first cousin of Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, chairman of the Times Company, who was publisher of the paper from 1963 to 1992.

In a career that began in the Depression and spanned World War II, the Korean, Vietnam, and Cold Wars and the rise and fall of nations, Cyrus Leo Sulzberger roamed the world from his long-time base in Paris to interview historic leaders and to chronicle and

of leaders and nations, opinions on foreign news and critiques of

As a reporter and commentator,

isters in their inner sanctums to royalty in palaces and rebels in mountain strongholds, he crisscrossed and circled the world to talk to and write with insight about a host of major leaders - Stalin and Nikita S. Khrushchev, Mao Zedong and Zhou Enlai, John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon, Winston Churchill and Charles de Ganile, and many heads of government and state, ambassadors and foreign ministers, generals and secret agents.

After graduation from Harvard in 1934 and five years with other news organizations in the United

American foreign policy.

he had the inestimable gift of a quick study: the ability to land in the morning in Moscow or Beijing, Prague or Johannesburg, and, with the benefit of speedy access to top leaders, to write by nightfall a cogent report giving the impression he had steeped himself in the subject all his life. And his access was to almost every important person-From presidents and prime min-

1939 and was its chief foreign cor-respondent from 1944 to 1954, when he became a columnist. His column, "Foreign Affairs," ap-peared three times a week, on the

editorial page until 1970, then on the Op-Ed page until his retirement in 1978. Thereafter be often wrote editorial columns for the International Herald Tribune. Mr. Sulzberger, who was banned

from half a dozen countries for his reporting and won a special Pulitzer Prize citation in 1951, ranged over the field of foreign affairs, touching on military power, eco-nomics, diplomacy, industrial and agricultural production, and especially the ideas and personalities of

He candidly acknowledged that his entree into presidential chambers, rebel bideouts, and royal palaces was enormously eased by his role as a New York Times correspondent and columnist, by his connections to the family that owned the newspaper, and, espe-cially, by the desire of world leaders and revolutionaries to get maximmm attention for their views through its widely read columns.

A tall, bespectacled man with

solemnity, Mr. Sulzberger was remembered by colleagues at The New York Times as convivial and generous, a raconteur who could be punditical at times but who also was a good listener and a good

As chief correspondent of The New York Times from 1944 to 1954, he directed the coverage of the end of the war in Europe with a distinguished group that included Drew Middleton, Raymond Dan-iell, Herbert L. Matthews, Clifton Daniel, and James Reston. After the war, Mr. Sulzberger chronicled the division of Europe into Western and Communist

spheres, analyzed rival guerrilla movements in Yugoslavia and drew out for readers the complex character of Tito and won a special Pulitzer Prize citation in 1951 for a prison-cell interview in Yngoslavia with Archbishop Alojzije Stepinac, whose 1946 conviction on war crimes charges signaled the start of the postwar struggle between church and state in Eastern Eo-

Mr. Subberger's many books in-cluded, The Big Thaw, published in 1956, a personal exploration of the Soviet Union and its satellite



A foreign correspondent and foreign affairs columnist, Mr. Subsperger worked for The New York Times for nearly 40 years.

the Khrushchev regime; "What's Wrong With U.S. Foreign Policy,"
a 1959 critique; "A Long Row of
Candles," a 1969 memoir; "The
Fall of Eagles," a 1977 volume on
the collapse of the Hapsburgs, the Hohenzollerns, and the Romanovs: and "Seven Continents and Forty

Reviewers sometimes criticizes Mr. Suizberger's books for being repetitious, for injecting the author too much into accounts of conversations with interview subjects, and for too much trivia in the bulky But more typically reviewers

praised him for indefatigable reporting, for courage on dangerous assignments, and for what Paul Grimes, reviewing "Seven Conti-nents and Forty Years," called his "sharp succinct portraits" of world leaders, and he listed a few: "She looks like a simple grandmother but she is obdurate and hard as nails,"(Prime Minister Golda Meir of Israel), and "A small, pipesmoking man with an unctuous manner the face of a halibut with shark's eyes." (Prime Minister Harold Wilson of Britain).

Among the many journalistic honors Mr. Sulzberger received were awards from the Overseas Press Club for the best consistent reporting from abroad in 1951, and for excellence in reporting and

ioined The New York Times in

Op-Ed page column in The New foreign affairs, died of natural causes after a long illness, his family said.

DEATH NOTICE

Frienzell BALLARD

died Sept. 18, leaving behind

devoted friend. Mass will be

celebrated at 10:30 a.m.

Sept 23, at St. Nicolas du Chardonnet, Paris 5°.

DEATH NOTICE

SHAMMAS - SHUKRI HANNA

Passed away on Friday,

September 17th, 1993, in Rabiya, Lebanon, Beloved busband of Olga Khouri and

the father of Issam, Nizam,

Hiyam, Siham, the late Muram and Angelique, Caesar

and Mona.

Shukri Shammas was a

distinguished engineer, business figure and educator. He was one of the three

founders of C.A.T. Company

which pioneered modern

contracting techniques in the Middle East and branched out

to Europe, the United States, the Far East and Africa.

He was Mayor of Rabiya,

Chairman of the Rabiya Company and of Tourism & Hotel Development

Corporation S.A.L., President of

Mothercat Limited and

Managing Partner of C.A.T. Company and its subsidiaries as well as Chairman of Alkime

Tourist Complex Limited, owners of the SHERATON

LIMASSOL Hotel & Reson and the Limassol Pleasure Harbour in Cyprus. In addition to numerous other important positions, he served for many years on the Board of Trustees of the American University of Beirut

He was decorated for his

achievements and social contributions by the Greek

Orthodox Church in 1956 and 1957 and he was honored with the Cedars National Medal by the Lebanese Government in The funeral took place on

Sunday September 19th, at Moheidetha Greek Onhodox

Church in Lebanon.

Frederick Steward, Botanist, Dies

Frederick Campion Steward, 89, a botanist and cell biologist whose research in the late 1950s reshaped scientific knowledge of how plants regenerate, died Monday in Tusca-loosa, Alabama. He had been in

poor health for several years. Mr. Steward, a Cornell Universiy professor emeritus of biological ciences, was a leading scientific figure in the development of mod-

portant contribution occurred in 1958, when he established that plants could be totally regenerated from one cell.

The finding revolutionized the

world of plant cell biology, estab-lishing for the first time that plant cuttings and shoots were no longer required to propagate hybrids and create mutations. Such a discovery meant that clones, hybrids and mutations of plants could be accomern plant physiology. His most im- plished in the laboratory rather

than having to resort to the far

Quake Hits Oregon and California, Causing Rock Slide That Kills Driver

The Associated Press KLAMATH FALLS, Oregon -A moderate earthquake shook southern Oregon and northern Calslide and damaging buildings. A southern Oregon. second person died, apparently of a

Richter scale, struck at 8:29 P.M. Redding, California, 110 miles on Monday and was centered 15 miles (25 kilometers) northwest of Klamath Falls, said the National

Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colorado. The quake, followed by two

strong aftershocks, caused scatifornia, killing a motorist in a rock tered power and phone outages in The quake was felt as far north

> No significant damage was reported in northern California.

ABANO TERME BRUSSELS

longer and cumbersome process of taking and then cultivating cut-Charles Lamont, 98, who direct-

ed more than 100 movies, including nearly all of the Abbott and Costello comedies and many Ma and Pa Kettle features, died of pacumonia Samrday. He was a fourth-genera-tion actor who appeared on stage and in films before he began directing comedy shorts in the 1920s. Fernand Ledoux, 96, a celebrated

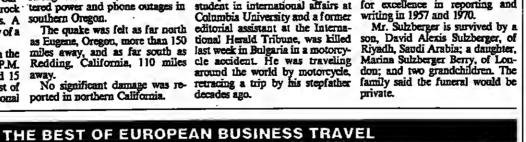
actor with one of the longest careers in French theater and cinema, died Tuesday in Villerville in Normandy. With more than 800 plays and movies to his credit, he was among France's most prolific actors, playing in movies directed by Jean Renoir and Marcel Carne.

Raphael T. Smith, 26, a graduate student in international affairs at Columbia University and a former editorial assistant at the Internaeart attack.

The quake, measuring 5.7 on the miles away, and as far south as last week in Bulgaria in a motorcytichter scale, struck at 8:29 P.M.

Redding, California, 110 miles cle accident. He was traveling around the world by motorcycle,

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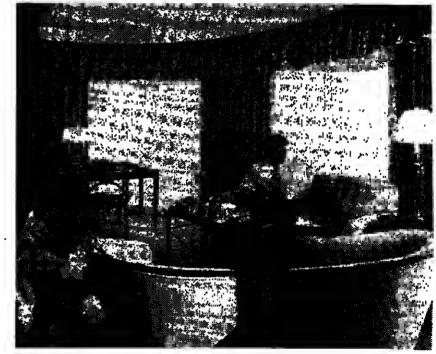
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Unsuited for the Olympics

The International Olympic Committee is meeting in Monte Carlo this week to pick the site for the Summer Games in the year 2000. Of the five cities seeking the prize, Beijing has the weakest claim.

The Chinese have been anything but subtle. Their chief lobbyist has threatened a boycott by China's athletes of the 1996 Atlanta Games if Beijing is not picked. But if Beijing gets the nod, the Chinese government says, it will put the names of fOC members oo a monument at the Great Wall.

The disqualifier is China's suppression of dissent and its disregard for basic human rights. Human rights organizations report that even oow the government is preparing secret trials of 17 dissidents next month. Incredibly, Chinese oegotiators have even pledged that there would be no public dis-

sent during the Olympiad.
The Chinese, and diehard Olympic romantics, argue that politics has no place in the quadrennial Games. In fact, politics intrudes frequently and obviously. South African athletes were banned for 32 years. The United States led a boycott of the 1980 Games in Moscow: Moscow retaliated with a boycott of will be time enough. But not yet. the 1984 Los Angeles Games.

Obviously willing to play politics when it suits their purpose, the Chinese joined in boycotting the Moscow Games. But politics is oot really the issue in this case. The overriding issue is human rights.

Citing a State Department report, along with Tiananmen Square and other outrages, the House has adopted a resolution urging the American representative on the IOC to vote against Beijing, Later, 60 senators - including the majority leader, George Mitchell, and the minority leader, Bob Dole - sent a written protest to all 94 members of the fOC. And just last week the European Parliament voted its own anti-Beijing resolution.

The other contenders are Berlin, Istanbul, Manchester and Sydney. None of their countries has a spotless human rights record, particularly Turkey. But none practices the systematic, pervasive repression found in China.

China has developed a sports machine on the European Communist model. Its leaders oow want the Olympics in their capital as certification of their regime's respectability. When they build a record of respect for their citizens - perhaps in another four years - it

A Stumble in Poland

Hailed for the success of its free market reforms, Poland's reform leadership is paying the political price. Voters in parliamentary elections voted first and second for the parties most rooted in the country's Communist past. The Democratic Left Alliance and the Polish Peasants' Party capitalized on resentments of workers (and unemployed) and peasants who feel that they have fared poorly in Poland's region-pacing private sector boom. A third of Poles have done better since communism fell, it is said, a third hope to do better, and a third have done worse. In that last third the two ler parties found their lode.

Hatred of communism still exists in Poland. How could it oot? But the evidence of this vote is that it is a wasting asset. Newly committed, they insist, to democracy, the old hacks may constitute a core of the Left Alliance's support, but other party members have associated themselves with reform - with a slower and less sweeping reform. The Peasants' Party enjoys some loyalty among farmers who recall that it spoke for farmer and he rural interests even in Communist times. The cc two parties now embrace a statist approach tempered by a professed concern for the pop-ular welfare. Reform as practiced in Poland

(and elsewhere) for the past four years has sharpened class distinctions, and these parties were in a position to exploit it. Some heavy politicking is still to be done before a government is put together. It is not yet ensured that either the Left Alliance or the

Peasants' Party will end up governing.

In any case, the danger is not that Poland will head back to communism but that the reform impulse will erode. That would mean a slowdown on privatization and an increase of welfare payments and of subsidies to inefficient state enterprises on the current, discouraging Russian and Ukrainian models. Succumbing to the temptation to pay the new bills with newly printed money could produce crisis in Poland's relations with its foreign lenders.

The Polish vote is a sober warning to the ex-Communist countries treading the reform path. Already it was clear that if they hold back, the economy founders. Now it is clear that if they forge ahead, they pot their political base at risk. The fact remains that Poland's current dilemma arises from its courage, not from doubt or sloth. Poland is the place where the West, by its judicious continuing encouragement, can best show that reform works. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

Two World Chess Titles

During the Cold War, chess title matches became surrogate struggles between East and West, as between Bobby Fischer and the Soviet champion Boris Spassky in feeland. Or between loyalists and dissidents within the Soviet Union, as in the bitter contest between the titleholder, Anatoli Karpov, and his rebel challenger, Gary Kasparov. Now ideological fever has abated and all is coofusion as grand masters rebel against the chess establishment itself.

Two world title matches are under way. In the Dutch town of Zwolle, Mr. Karpov, now a former champion, is pitted against the Dutch grand master Jan Timman for the official title (purse: \$1.4 million). They are being upstaged by Mr. Kasparov, the reigning champion, at London's Savoy Theater, his opponent is Nigel Short, a 28-year-old British prodigy (purse; \$2.6 million). But Mr. Kasparov's other opponent is FIDE, the International Chess Federation, founded in 1924.

The two unofficial contenders rejected FI-DE's proposal for a match in Manchester for a lesser purse. They formed their own Profes-

sional Chess Association and found a sponsor in Rupert Murdoch, who is providing television coverage and ample promotion in his newspaper The Times, in London. That helped Mr. Kasparov square accounts for what he saw as FIDE's favoritism in suspending the title match in which he was beating Mr. Karpov, the cynosure of the Soviet chess establishment.

Is this good for chess? Judging by the press attention, it is a windfall for the royal game. Competition for purses is preferable to ideological crosades. The rival matches confirm what Americans have learned from Bobby Fischer, who vanished from sight only to reappear in a strange rematch last year with Mr. Spassky in a Serbian resort: Grand mas-ters are supreme individualists, given to furious fends and eccentric, sometimes unsavory political views. In great title matches, competitors are not surrogates for a social sys-tem; they are rebels who vent their aggression oo kings, queens, bishops, knights, rooks and pawns. And oo each other.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Expect Oil Demand to Rise

After years of stagnation, the demand for oil looks set to surge. As the industrial economies revive and the former Soviet economies approach the limits of their decline, their need for extra oil will be added to the growing demand from Latin America and Southeast Asia. The question that matters is not whether but how and when prices are to rise.

What is the message for consumers? Do not take cheap energy for granted, or relax programs that boost conservation through grants or tax incentives. Governments that have not established strategic stocks should consider buying oil now, while it is still cheap. America, in particular, needs a further rise in oil taxes, still ludicrously low in spite of Bill Clinton. Taxes remind consumers that energy is not yet as cheap and abundant as today's low prices misleadingly suggest.

- The Economist (London).

Too Much Olympic Politics

In Monaco on Thursday, fewer than 100 men and women will decide where the world will meet for the 22nd Olympiad in the year 2000. About 60 percent of the planet's inhab-

itants will watch the Games. So the members of the faternational Olympic Committee are invested with extraordinary influence. The debate preceding this week's IOC meeting has been particularly bad tempered. More is at stake than international respectability. The country that wins will be awash with added investment - the dollar influx which Olympie selection secures is measured in billions.

The Games have clearly become much more than just a sporting event. So it is no surprise that China's human rights record has taken prominence in the debate over Beijing's suitability as an Olympic host. The Beijing authorities have presented an attractive bid to the IOC. Unfortunately, attention is being focused on the fact that they behaved less attractively in 1989 when faced with a tricky crowd control problem.

Since political and ethical arguments can never be resolved, the IOC should base its selection exclusively on the sporting and spectator facilities the competing venues can offer, as well as the inevitable commercial considerations. The whole process of selection would be more scrutable and less controversial if it revolved around such tangible, rather than political or ethical, issues.

- Business Times (Singapore).



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Against the Grain, a Brave New Internationalism

W ASHINGTON — Bill Clinton and his chief advisers are taking to the hustings to articulate a new internationalism for Americans. They do a noble and necessary thing that could be called the Lord's work. But they will have a devil of a time.

The force of internationalism that bound nations.

The force of internationalism that bound nations together through half a century is waning in country after country, including the United States. In Perotspeak, a giant swishing sound threatens to drown out the administration's salvo of foreign policy speeches this month. The swish comes from necks swiveling as citizenties pivot inward to concentrate

on their own economic and political problems.

Internationalism in the Cold War involved a sense of common danger and of shared benefits from an expanding global pie of trade and invest-ment. Finding ways to attune domestic needs (or occasionally even to sacrifice them) to international cooperation was a halimark of that era.

But the danger has diminished and the pie has stopped growing for most industrial nations. Today's most combative international zero-sum game is in trade rivalries among industrial democracies, not in tallying the warheads in Soviet and American ouclear arsenals.

That is the context that the president, his secretary of state, his national security adviser and his sador to the United Nations face in delivering a series of speeches over a two-week period designed to explain America's involvement in a rapidly changing world. The effort began with Mr. Clinton's impressive NAFTA speech last week at the White House. It will continue at least into his Sept. 27 address at the United Nations.

This will be a hard sell. The American public "has come to feel that foreign policy competes with domestic problems for attention and resources," By Jim Hoagland

Daniel Yankelovich and John Immerwahr write in a paper prepared for this summer's American Assembly, a prestigous public policy gathering. "There is a concern that foreign policy leaders will distract the country from more pressing domestic issues."

Americans understood that the end of the Cold

War would change the nature and image of the country's enemies. They were less prepared for how the political changes and economic dislocation of the past five years would change their self-image.

Deepening fears that foreigners will take away jobs by outsmarting America in trade deals or will flock to America to live off the American taxpayer

drive the debates over the North American Free Trade Agreement and immigration. Enemies with-in, such as lobbyists for foreign firms and immigra-tion rights groups, replace enemies without as the targets of populist hostility. The corrosive turning away from a shared sense of international opportunities and obligations is even more advanced in Europe, where xenophobia and overt racism have become a force in French,

German and British politics. Two small but telling developments from the weekend's headlines: the growth at the local level of the neo-Nazi British National Party, and thousands of Berliners marching to make sure their government does not spend money to host the Olympics in the year 2000.

France, once a proud symbol of asylum and immigrant assimilation, now debates adopting "zero." igration" policies. And the conservative govern-

ment's determination to protect export subsidies

for French farmers threatens to stalemate the mul-

tinational trade negotiations known as the Uni-

guay Round. At stake is a trade agreement that would have 10 to 20 times the economic benefits for the United States that NAFTA holds.

for the United States that NAFTA holds.

The French government claims that it would be political suicide to accept an agricultural compromise backed by the United States and the rest of the European Community. This may just be a daring oegotiating stance; but the willingness to put the Uruguay Round on the edge of the cliff shows how loose trans-Atlantic ties have become, as do the open disagreements between Americans and Europeans on Bosnia and Somalia.

The separate but parallel debates on NAFTA and the Uruguay Round are about political attitudes as much as economic benefits. Success in both would hold the line against a psychological turning inward that mixes protectionism, nativism and other politi-cal forces. That is one reason President Clinton decided to go to the stump to argue for NAFTA and to shape a new internationalism. The American intitiatives for a summit of Asian leaders in Seattle in November and a NATO summit in Brussels in January go in the same direction. Can a new sense of internationalism be created as

a product of leadership and will? The history of this century is not encouraging. Nations have had to go through periods of subordinating or abandoning cooperative efforts before shooting wars or trade wars remind them why they had nied the cooperative approach in the first place.

That is why organizations like NATO or GATT have been invented by "men walking backward into the future," in the luminous phrase of Raymoud Aron, the late French philosopher. The good news is that we do learn from our mistakes. The better news would be that we don't have to make them.

The Washington Post

In Beijing-New Delhi Thaw, Hopes for a United Asia

INGAPORE — The recent thaw In India's relations with China has rekindled hopes of what Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha Rao desence." This was the vision that inspired Jawaharlal Nehru, the . architect of modern India, until a short, sharp border war with China in 1962 shattered his dreams, leading to 31 years of uneasy armed truce be-

tween the two giants of Asia.

Mr. Rao's four days of talks with

Prime Minister Li Peng early this month resulted in a series of damagecootrol and confidence-building measures to secure peace in the Hi-malayas. With reports of Chinese ou-clear missiles being stationed in Ti-bet, the possibility of even accidental clashes along the 4,000-kilometer

border had to be removed.

India therefore agreed to China's suggestion to put aside disputes involving 123,000 square kilometers of territory while strengthening ties on other fronts. To existing proposals for economic, scientific and technological collaboration, the Rao-Li talks added

N EW DELHI — India's relations with Russia have been far from

happy, but the two countries' inter-

ests converge in the former Soviet states in Central Asia.

India has been highlighting its cultural links with the region to promote trade and economic ites. Babur, hall-

ing from the Fergana Valley, launched an attack on the Indian subcontinent

in the 16th century to found the Mo-ghul dynasty. And India has had ex-tensive dealings with Central Asia un-der the umbrella of Indo-Soviet

economic and political agreements.

All heads of Central Asian states

have visited New Delhi, and Prime

Minister P. V. Narasimha Rao of In-

dia has been to Uzbekistan and Ka-

zakhstan. India hopes that maintaining close relations will help moderate and contain Islamic influences, with

This is a goal endorsed by Moscow, A recent joint study by the govern-ment-supported Institute for Defense

Studies and Analyses in New Delhi and the Institute of Oriental Studies in

Moscow is forthright in its findings. It says common historical and cultural

heritage, linguistic similarities and, above all, religion, are being exploited

by Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan, Saudi

Arabia and Turkey to expand their

Pitching it strongly, the report con-

cludes: "Economic and political in-

stability in this region along with in-

creasing interference in the local

affairs by some Muslim states have

already transformed Central Asia

into a source of regional instability

which could even develop into a

source of global instability."
For Russia, the stakes are high

There are 10 million ethnic Russians

in the Central Asian states and Mos-

influence in Central Asia.

their fundamentalist overtones.

These subjects are not of great importance. India expects no dramatic results in the short term. The scope for expanding trade is limited, since the two economies run on largely parallel lines. India and China are also competitors for Western investment and multilateral finance. Both are looking cast for partners and markets.

But the relationship between the nations is no longer inherently contradictory. Asian leadership is not a factor. Neither is rivalry between commu-nism and parliamentary democracy. The Rao-Li discussions removed a major psychological and political obstacle, not only to Chinese-Indian cooperation but also to Indian participation in Asia's economic revolution. That was their real achievement.

India was beginning to look like Asia's odd man out. The stalemate with China tied down more than 60,000 Indian troops and added sub-

Indo-Russian Goals for Central Asia

By S. Nihal Singh

cow's national security is determined

in part by the security of the southern borders of the Commonwealth of In-dependent States. Moseow has

signed defense agreements with these

states and its troops are helping po-lice the troubled Tajikistan-Afghani-stan border, India, for its part, claims

that the area falls in its sphere of

"normal, good neighborly" relations with the region, although it is mindful of the dangers. An outflow of ethnic

Russians from Central Asia in the

face of populist discriminatory mea-

sures and prejudices born under Sovi-

et rule have deprived these states of skilled labor and caused a refugee

A "treaty on collective security" was signed by former Soviet republics in Tashkent in May. But Moscow

Asian leaders are seeking to set up a

geopolitical entity by promoting the concept of a common defense

space" alongside a common market.

Russians are worried that President

Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakh-

stan, until recently the most enthusi-

astic supporter of the Common-wealth of Independent States, is proposing a "United States of Cen-tral Asia," in what could be a direct

Both Moscow and New Delhi

think the United States will gradually

increase its role in Central Asia but

will continue to use proxies, such as

Turkey, in the short term. Turkey

has, in fact, been active in promoting its influence, while Iran is exploiting its geographic advantage.

challenge to the commonwealth.

apprehensive that the Central

Russia has been keen on evolving

geostrategic interests.

problem in Russia.

much business with China's adversary. Genuflecting at the altar of the region's rising power, they repeatedly rebuffed India's attempts to join

Asia-Pacific organizations. India's rival, Pakistan, benefited from the estrangement. The Chinese-Pakistani alliance dates to the height of India's friendship with the former Soviet Union. In 1990, when the United States suspended aid to Pakistan because of its ouclear program, China took over as the principal arms suppli-er to Pakistan. New Delhi was espe-cially concerned by recent U.S. intelligence reports that China was shipping M-11 missile components to Pakistan.

Ironically, Washington's response to those reports may actually have helped to bring India and China clos-er together. Neither has endorsed the U.S. interpretation of human rights. Both have long-standing differences with Washington over trade and in-

The Indo-Russian study is a guide to Moscow's hopes and fears and to

the Indian government's approach. Among its central conclusions: Uzbek

nationalism is the most potent factor

in Central Asia's ethnic mix; in the short term, conflicts in all the region's states will center on the contest be-

tween Islamic fundamentalists and Communists; despite all external fac-tors, old Communist regimes remain

in power; reorienting these states' eco-

nomic ties with Moscow will take a long time and involve heavy invest-

ments, and, for the present, Central

Asia seems content with a neo-su-thoritarian model of government.

The underlying theme of the study implies that the Indian and Russian

anthorities are veering away from endorsing the Turkish foray into Central Asia. The earlier assump-

tion was that Turkey's secular cre-dentials and its Islamic and linguis-

tic affinity with the Central Asian

states would make it a desirable

The change has been influenced by

partner for New Delhi and Moscow.

the conclusion that the Turkish model simply will not work in Central

Asia. In Turkey, the secular nation-

state tolerant of the religious prac-

tices of the Sunni majority without

endorsing them came about after the

massacre of Armenian and Greek minorities and the suppression of Kurds. Such a solution in Central

Asia's ethnic mix is inconceivable.

The prospect is of a long period of

instability in Central Asia, with Islam-

ic fundamentalists pitted against eth-

nic nationalists and secular measures.

regionalism against tribalism. Russia and India hope to negotiate these

treacherous waters singly and together to keep fundamentalists at bay.

International Herald Tribune.

By Sunanda K. Datta-Ray tellectual property rights. India and China now feel that they are victims specific programs to increase trade stantially to the nation's defense budand cooperate in broadcasting and protecting the environment.

get. Abroad, it made the boom naplobal policeman for arms control. tions of East Asia wary of doing too Mr. Rao has taken India muc closer to the United States through

bilateral military cooperation, freemarket reforms and political ges-tures, such as ending India's virtual boycott of Israel. But his strategy for coping with the challenge of a world that is no longer polarized between two superpowers demands a balanc-ing factor in the east. India hopes to reduce dependence on the United States by developing strong ties with the thriving economies of Asia.

The shift began when Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi broke the ice with China by visiting Beijing in 1988. Mr. Rao has extended this policy. India has signed a memorandum of understanding for military cooperation with Malaysia, established a dialogue with the Association of South East Asian Nations and balanced naval exercises with the United States by holding similar maneuvers with Aus-

tralia, Indouesia and Singapore.

Mr. Rao emphasized this directional shift by flying from Beijing to Scoul on Sept. 9. He was the first head of an Indian government to visit head of the first dislocation with the second statement of the second se

South Kerea since diplomatic rela-tions were established 20 years ago.

Mr. Rao is working quietly to re-move impediments so that the voice of a united Asia can be heard in the new world order. His strategy in-cludes spining appropriat for India's cludes gaining approval for India's long-standing ambition for a place in the Pacific sun. Both objectives call for understanding between Asia's two largest powers.

The writer, a former editor of the Indian newspaper The Statesman, con-tributed this comment to the Inter-

Don't Make **Olympics** A Mockery

who Un

By A. M. Rosenthal

N EW YORK - The world will not come to an end of the national Olympic Committee picks Beijing for the site of the Games in the year 2000. But the Olympics will; at least for two important groups of people the Olympics will end. They will end for those living in freedom who believe that human

rights are the basic test of national

standards and international behavior. For them it would be an obscenity, no other word, to hold the Games in China as long as it is commanded by a government that rules by police power, as long as it uses prisons to torture thousands of political prisoners, as long as it iocarcerates millions for forced labor, officially recognized as an essential part of the economy. The other group: The Olympic Games and whatever they are supposed to stand for will become an evil mockery for the victims themselves, inside and beyond China Inside, the victims are those still behind bars or still struggling for human freedoms of thought, action, procreation, reli-gion. Outside exists a whole nation of victims, the captive people and society of Tibet, oow enchained by Chinese Communist power for more than four decades.

I do not know how the committee will vote on Thursday in Monte Carlo. I have asked experts in sports and human rights and they do not know, either. That interests me.

The Olympic movement depends on the support and money of the public, but on the question of where the Games should be held, a matter of political and economic importance, the committee runs its affairs as if it were planning a family picnic

The Olympic Committee does not officially take human rights into con-sideration; some members do and others wave it away.

I wonder, not knowing what world the committee members live in, do they understand the importance of the millions who cannot accept the idea of Olympics in Beijing any more than they could have Games held in South Africa under apartheid?

The committee has a strong list of other cities to choose among — Sydney, Manchester, Istanbul, Berlin, And there is still a bit of time to remind it of the arguments against Beijing as set down hy men and women of the U.S. Congress.

They have been spelled out, clearly and rationally, in a House of Representatives resolution and later in a letter signed by 60 senators. The Senate letter was written by one of the most honorable and respected of American public figures, Bill Bradley of New Jersey. He does not throw himself around or give his name to light causes.

The letter to the committee said that choosing Beijing would give an international stamp of approval to Beijing and its ways, would be used as an enormous propaganda asset by the Chinese government, would demoralize the democracy activists. It of the committee would suffer as it worked closely with an authoritarian government to stage an event televised around the world.

All true, but that last bit about the image of the committee suffering -f want to go beyond that, less delicate-ly. It will not be simply the committee that will suffer but the Games and whatever they stand for as an exercise in international goodwill.

The Olympics will be wounded badly, and not just for a year or two. Don't the committee members remember? How long did the word "Olympics" call swastikas to mind, because Olympic officials stuck with the decision to hold the Games in the Berlin of 1936, after the Nazis had taken over? Decade after decade. A decision to select Beijing, when

there is no question about how it rules, no hiding place, will not be forgotten before 2000 or any time soon after. Decade after decade. The decision will also put something of a pall on the Atlanta Games of 1996. Think of yourself sitting at the Games in Los Angeles and Lake Placid in 1932, and wonder how much pleasure you would be having if you knew that four years later swastikas would be flying in an Olympic stadium, and Nazis jack-

booting about the place.

Taken together, believers in human rights and the victims of its absence are a lot of people, with a lot of long memories. We will know soon whether the committee cares enough about them and the future of the Olympics not to reach out to the capital of a gulag government

The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Zola and London LONDON - M. and Mme. Zoia,

who are staying at the Savoy Hotel, appear to be enjoying their visit to London and seem greatly pleased with the hardy welcome given them. M. Zola was interviewed on behalf of the St. James's Gazette and also of the Sun. "The great joy was reserved for me this morning," he said, "when I saw the fog. As one ought to see Russia with snow and Italy even with the fevers, so one must see London with a fog accompaniment."

1918: Allies Victorious

PARIS - The victorious Allied forces in the Balkan theater of war continue their pursuit of the routed Bulgarians. Stronger rearguard resishas been encountered and heavy fighting has taken place at many points, resulting in the defeat of the enemy, and cowhere has the pursuit been long delayed. On Friday [Sept. 20] the Serbians realized a fur-

ther advance of about 10 miles, reaching the line Krimiovo, Strigovo, Dragozil, Polosko. Serbian calvary forces are operating considerably north of this line.

1943: A Second Front

LONDON — [From our New York edition:] Prime Minister Winston Churchill, in a lengthy review of the Allied fortunes, military and political, throughout the embattled sectors of the world, told the House of Commons today [Sept. 21] that the long-sought second front in Europe "already exists potentially" and is rapidly gathering weight. Asserting that this second front — he described the Mediterranean theater as the "third front" - was already preoccupying the enemy, the prime minister said it would come into being "when we and our American alies judge to be the right time." Then there will be a mass invasion of the Continent from the west in combination with the forces striking from the south.

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Make the United Nations Strong on Human Rights

ATLANTA — As the United Nations General Assembly convenes, it faces an unprecedented opportunity to strengthen its rightful leadership role in promoting and defending the fragile cause of human rights.

The UN World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna last June should be seen as a catalyst for a dramatic move to strengthen the incredibly weak mechanisms in the UN system for preventing and

correcting human rights crimes.
While the United Nations has an excellent record of setting human rights standards through international covenants, the failure of many countries to comply with these standards and the reluctance of the world community to provide the UN Center for Human Rights with adequate resources to carry out its mandate have had tragic results. According to the United Nations, half the world's people experience some human

rights abuse. The Vienna conference reaffirmed the universality of all human rights and the By Jimmy Carter

munity in protecting these rights worldwide. It reaffirmed the interdependence of all human rights, the importance of economic, social and cultural rights, and the right to development, and adopted practical steps to promote and protect the rights of women and indigenous peoples.

Unfortunately, the key proposal, to create a high commissioner for human rights, led only to a call for the General Assembly to make this question a high priority this fall. It is imperative that the international community adopt a proper mandate and structure for a high commissioner at this session.

The commissioner should serve as a strong focal point to coordinate the fragmented branches of the UN human rights system and to ensure that human rights are integrated into the work of all UN programs. This would lead to greater effectiveness in the UN system and a reduction of bureaucracy and duplication. A better

structured and managed UN Center for and independent, appointed by the General Human Rights can be the resource, research and information base supporting the This is an important safeguard to avoid the work of this special commissioner.

For example, building on UN success in El Salvador and Cambodia, human rights could be integrated systematically into peacekeeping operations. There also is a need and opportunity to inject a strong human rights component into the work of the UN Development Program.

Collaboration between the UN Center for Human Rights and the Development Program on technical assistance projects could help governments promote the rule of law and build permanent institutions to protect human rights.

The high commissioner should be empowered to act promptly to prevent or investigate rights violations rights when and where they occur. As it stands, the Commission on Human Rights, the main UN human rights body, meets only once a year and thus is powerless to take action in urgent situations.

The commissioner should be impartial

selectivity and the double standards pervading the work of the commission and the Security Council.

Opportunities exist for preventive actions, such as the development of technical assistance programs to help governments introduce legal and constitutional safeguards. promote the independence of the judiciary, assist national human rights institutions and promote rights education.

The challenge facing the General Assembly is to overcome bureaucratic and political hurdles that stand in the way of carrying out the recommendations of the Vienna conference and to sustain the momentum for a new era in human rights in the post-Cold War world.

Former President Carter is chairman of The Carter Center, which promotes conflict resolution, democratization and human rights. He contributed this comment to The

weeks of talking with repatriates like Dona Leandra or sophisticat-ed residents of the capital, one wonders if it is wise for the observ-

Whatever the results of the vote,

the need to monitor the peace agreements and land distribution

will remain. A UN observer pres-

ence would serve as a guarantor that those accords will be carried

out. As one government official stated, "The dying is over but the

will assure implementation."

they are overstretched, underfund-

ed, controversial and dangerous. We hear so little about the success of the operation in El Salvador.

Take a closer look at El Salvador. To date, it is a major success. But consolidation of that success must be assured. There are still two

adversaries who distrust one an-

other, and they need an arbitrator.

peace management process would

be foolish. It might forsake the

trust of the Salvadoran people, of

Requiring the United Nations to

ers to leave so abruptly.

Flying West With the Old Man

T UNIS — The voice on the relephone was clipped and curt. "Be in the lobby of the Hil-

ton at 7 A.M. And hush this." It was well after midnight. The voice belonged to an aide of Yasser Arafat. I had been pleading with him for 24 hours to let me accompany the PLO chairman on his historic trip to Washington. I arrived at 6 to find several

MEANWHILE

other journalists standing around

the lobby trying to look hushed. Eventually, two PLO aides drove up and told us to report to the VIP terminal at Tunis International Airport, where we spent the next veral hours having our luggage and gear checked for stray bombs or automatic weapons.

In the Moroccan Air Forcechartered Boeing 707, striped in the red and green of the Palesin-ian flag, we waited for the 64-year-old affectionately known in Pales-tinian circles as the "Old Man."

Presently, to the drumbeat of a Tunisian honor guard, Yasser Arafat, dressed in his characteristic green combat fatigues and with the usual pistol at his side, strode toward the plane surrounded by bodyguards and top aides. After a farewell handshake from the Tunisian prime minis-ter, he climbed on board.

His private cabin at the front of the plane was comfortable but not opulent, lined with plush lounge chairs and end tables. A private bedroom adjoining the front cabin had a double bed and a private bath with tub.

Mr. Arafat, embarking no appear to feel that brave. The

what was probably the most important trip of his life, eased into one of the lounge chairs and stared silently out the window as the city of Tunis faded from view under the climbing jet.

The schedule board at Tunis International had shown a charter bound for Paris, and there had been rumors that Mr. Arafat would meet French President François Mitterrand on his way to Washington. But as we headed west, it seemed we were crossing Algeria, Morocco, then climbing north across Spain and out over the Atlantic. For most of the trip, Mr. Ara-fat sat chatting amiably with his

aides, among them Mohammed Abbas, the quiet intellectual who had drafted the PLO's peace initiative and soared to prominence within the organization as the peace movement took hold, and Ahmed Soleiman Khoory, the PLO financial wizard who headed the secret peace talks in Norway. Occasionally Mr. Arafat

would invite journalists up for private interviews, and to all he gave the same message: The state of Palestine was about to be launched. He was going home to the West Bank town of Jericho soon. It took courageous men to make a brave peace.

"Are you a brave man?" I asked him.
"History will give the answer,

not me," he replied. Sitting there, looking exhausted and a little nervous, he did not



By Kim Murphy

opposition to this peace deal from within the Palestmian ranks was perhaps the greatest he had ever faced. And no one could say what lay ahead in Washington, Acceptance, finally? Or more rebuffs? Who would meet him at the airport, for example?

He refused to discuss with his aides whether he was going to try to shake the hand of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, yet that must have been on his mind.

Mr. Arafat has always had a disarming charm about him. When you go up to greet him, he holds your hand tightly for several moments in both of his and beams at you. During a previous interview he had insisted on outfitting me in a hand-embroidered traditional Palestinian coat and having his picture taken with me. But as interviews progress be grows im-patient when questions don't go where he wants them to go. He has been known to get up and walk has really lost control.

Everyone grew quieter as the flight drew to a close. Marwan Kanafani, Mr. Arafat's adviser on Washington affairs, asked the Moroccan flight attendant to inform him when the plane crossed into U.S. airspace. When she gave the word, he leaned over and said, "Mr. Arafat, we're in America."
"I know," Mr. Arafat replied.

As the plane pulled back power and glided in toward Andrews Air Force Base, Mr. Arafat grew silent and obviously tense. Aides spoke encouragingly to him and be only stared back wordlessly. Some said

he appeared close to weeping.
Then he walked beaming down
the steps of the plane, where he
was greeted by Edward Dicrejian, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs, and a line of mostly Arab ambassadors.

The most impressive moment for me was when be went down the steps and Djerejian was there, and the first thing be said was, 'Mr. Chairman, welcome to America,'" said Mr. Kanafani, who for years had been the PLO's unofficial liaison in Washington.

"I have been working for the last God knows how many years to get Yasser Arafat to come to the UN, to meet with an American official," Mr. Kanafani said. "It was that mysterious, far-off, forbidden world ... And suddenly I see one of the most famous American undersecretaries saying, 'Mr. Chairman, welcome to America,' That was the moment. When I got in the car, I said to myself, "We're legitimate."

The writer is the Los Angeles Times' correspondent in Cairo.

The Dying May Be Over, but El Salvador Still Needs UN Help

SEGUNDO MONTES, El Salvador — Leandra Ramírez returned to her ancestral village a year ago. During 12 years of civil war, her life had been in turmoil. She fled her home under threat of death; spent two months hiding in mountain valleys seeking escape to the relative safety of Honduras; lived eight years in a refugee camp; learned of the violent death of two sons, and watched her grandchil-dren come to adulthood behind a

Doña Leandra has now returned to build a new home of discarded planks and plastic sheeting. Maize has been planted. Pigs and chickens roam nearby, and she says simply, "I hope the suffering is over." Such is the reality of the peace accords brokered by the United Nations in El Salvador.

At a time when the UN role in peacemaking, peacekeeping and

Save Brazil's Children

Arrested in Rio Killings" (Sept. 6):

In response to the report "5 Police

The killing of 21 Brazilians, in-

cluding innocent youths, in a Rio

de Janeiro shantytown was shock-ing to this largely industrialized nation of 157 million people.

But the massacre gets world headlines today and is forgotten

tomorrow. The real story is that

parasitic diseases cripple, stunt physical and mental development,

cause great suffering and suscepti-

bility to other infirmities, and kill

thousands of innocent Brazilian

The physical and mental limita-

tions imposed on such a significant

segment of the population also qui-

ctly, but significantly, depress the economic productivity and ere-

The French are more depressed

than their slowdown/recession

merits despite France's troubling

memployment rate - 11.7 per-

Nothing good can happen, most of them say, until after the presi-

dential election in the spring of

1995; meanwhile, they deprive

themselves of new cars, new bomes and much else, not including good

food and vacations in August.

Confidence has thus disappeared

from the marketplace of one of the

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Cheer Up, France

cent and rising.

By Perdita Huston

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

agement. That task is crucial to continued peace in this tiny war-

The security that Doña Leandra enjoys is truly a major achievement. will have to help her prove her UN officials can be proud of their legitimate citizency. If the family is accomplishments here. People still to remain on their land, the observ-have fears, to be sure. Rumors ers must help them establish their abound, and the sight of soldiers on patrol or the sound of airplanes freezes Doña Leandra's trust dead cials are attempting to locate the in its tracks. But so far, so good. The UN observer mission reas-

sures her by its very presence. It is within two kilometers of the Honoverseeing election preparations duran border; the second, she and, in a major assist to democra- knows, was hacked to death, then cy, is helping people like her to re-establish their legitimate identity remains would give her a sense of - since, like thousands of others, having closed the tragedy of "the she is without proof of being who boys I never saw again."

an effort to rebuild the French-Ger-

man axis, although the Germans care little. An activist government

has proposed lower tax rates and a

plan, however haphazard, to reduce

memployment. Major privatization

plans are pouring forth although capital is tight. Some of the privati-zation opportunities look good. A worthy prime minister whose

few months in office have seen his

popularity increase rather than di-

minish is now so publicly accept-

able that the perennial presidential

candidates worry about their

for elections to recoup a degree of

confidence? Why not perk up a

little oow? And recognize, al-though the situation is difficult,

The point is, though, why wait

chances against him in 1995.

humanitarian assistance is being she says she is. When she fled with her husband and six children, there another essential task: peace mancates or property deeds. Their home was looted and set afire, as was the town hall.

If she is to vote, UN observers legitimate citizenry. If the family is ers must help them establish their legitimate ownership. UN-assisted human rights offi-

remains of one of her sons. The first son, she heard, was killed

From my technical evaluation of

the oil and gas potential of Somalia

must conclude that the chances for

commercial success there are slim.

tunities for international oil and

gas exploration have never been

areater than they are today, espe-

cially with the opening up of the

former East bloc countries, where

there is a good prospective poten-tial coupled with a lower political

. The great caves of Sarawak are

Rain Forest Golf

JAN GORDING.

Maidenhead, England.

Furthermore, attractive oppor-

business management, nutrition, human rights and even self-esteem have prompted government agen-cies to begin similar initiatives. Dona Leandra's granddaughter

UN-inspired courses in small

Ana Alba, 20, is a beneficiary. scrious and ambitious woman, who grew to maturity in a UN refugee camp, she is self-assured and detered to step beyond the traditional family roles of women. She cams a secretary's salary, with which she has bought piglets, chicks and family shoes.

Hc said the UN presence was needed "until such time as the ac-Self-esteem, human rights and cords are beyond any doubt fully farm management are new con-cepts in a nation of landless peasrespected." On both sides, he add ed, there is "suspicion" that the observers are "the only knowledgeants, where 75,000 perished in a reach for dignity. Assuring that the able pressure on the ground that newly acquired dignity is not sacri-ficed is the cent step.

The UN observer mission in El UN peacekeeping efforts are, rightfully, under examination;

Salvador is scheduled to leave soon after the elections in March. After

posed - all of this on land that is held by the Berawan.

The land is being encroached upon and the people threatened with relocation. These local people are being exploited. They are not leave before completion of the against further development, only stipulating that it should be appropriate to the character of Muhr. I don't think that I have ever

thousands like Dona Leandra, and might even snatch failure from the heard many suggestions as stupid as iaws of success. going to the rain forest or to Mulu National Park to play golf. It would The writer is preparing a book on diverse types of families and their problems in 12 countries around the be a crime to let the rain forest and native cultures slip away from us like this for the sake of greed. world. She contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

JO HOLT. Chard, England. Serious Graphology

Barry James deplores the

discover what I could discern from a handwriting sample. Like psy-chology, graphology is as much an art as a science, since both deal

BOOKS

WHY MEN HATE WOMEN By Adam Jukes. 345 pages. £15,95. Free Association Books.

Reviewed by Katherine Knorr

THE cover of "Why Men Hate Women" says it is "a book written for men that every woman should read." It is difficult, however, to imagine many men getting further than the introduction, where psychotherapist Adam Jukes says that all men hate women, even if they don't know it, and that a sex murderer is not all that different from the mild-mannered guy who makes jokes about how dumb

women are.
"Men exist in a state of perpetual enmity towards women which they express overtly and covertly, by controlling and dominating them," be writes. "Whether by attrition or violence, women are ultimately controlled or destroyed by men This destruction is usually carried out on women's psyches and their teli-esteem, although . . . it all loo often involves physical damage n addition."

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it's unfortunate that the jargons of psychology and of feminist the dy dominate this book, because likes is in a position to write an tremely interesting study of male plence against women. As a therhist working with London's Men's Catre, Jukes works with wife beatand he does serve up some tentalizing close-ups, but oot cough of them.

What these portraits show is that wie beaters come from all walks of lit, and that they are not necessarilyviolent except against the won-enin their lives. In these men's cys, women are asking to be beat-en they are driving them to it,

although the evidence the men cite, when they cite any, seems ridicu-lous. "All abusive men feel like victims, and erect complex mental structures to maintain denial of their actual sadism, hatred and

ment on their behalf.

rage," Jukes says.

Jukes is very much a feminist,
part of a small breed of modern men who feel the need to apologize for being men, while deferring to women to define what is acceptable behavior. He sees gender as "so-cially constructed" (i.e. society's the culprit) and even, somewhat reluctantly, goes along with theories that heterosexuality is a male plot: "Heterosexnality is no longer taken for granted. It is part of most individuals core identity . . . but it is learned, not innate."

Jukes does distance himself from what be calls essentialist or apocalyptic feminists, who tend toward separatism. "In apocalyptic think-ing, firmly focused on male vio-lence," he writes, "the world will never be free of aggression and war as long as there are men in it, or so long as men remain in control."

He also distances himself from socialist feminists, which it seems don't put enough of the blame on men. It is a measure of how odd the feminism debate has become that, in this book anyway, the most reasonable women cited are the Marxists.

The inferior position of women in this world is a fact. Where Jukes runs into serious trouble, however, it is in lumping together the situation of women in developed countries and in the Third World and in citing the usual suspect statistics ("It is estimated that at least half of rapes, worldwide, are never reported and that as many as one in six.

women have been raped"). The truth is, the status of women in the developed world has never been better. You can't compare the "glass ceiling" in the West with dowry deaths in India.

Jukes also dredges up the usua bad guys. The media have "a vested interest in reproducing and reinforcing [gender] differences.'
Women's "empowerment" "repre sents a real threat to capitalism in that it could seriously undermine women's commitment to heterosexuality and the family — the underpinnings of economic order."

The message of this book is why can't a man be more like a woman' Even if that were desirable, it is unlikely that setting out to prove the Yorkshire Ripper is all men, only badder, is going to help.

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BEST SELLERS

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WOMEN ARE FROM VENUS, by John Gray

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MEDICINE, by Jean Carper

VIEWPOINT

The Commerzbank report on German business and finance

A second chance for "Fortress Europe"?

The launch of the EC's Single Market at the start of this year represented a milestone in the economic integration of Western Europe. In the meantime, however, the strains created by both German unification and recession in Europe have confrooted the Community with a serious dilemma. In view of structural weaknesses which impair competitiveness and a steady rise in unemployment, protectinnist sentiment is gaining ground again.

Examples of this abound; they include the EC's new restrictions on imports of "dollar bananas", its conflict with the U.S. on public procurement (especially in telecommunications), the dispute over the Japanese car exporters' voluntary restraint" agreement and the cootroversial ban oo meat imports from Eastern Europe. Even though, as a recent GATT study showed, improved market transparency and a more uniform legal framework have made access to the EC market easier for third countries, fears of a "Fortress Europe" mentality are growing.

No clear-cut strategy

The EC's harmful Commoo Agricultural Policy and its anti-dumping measures - some 160 of which were in force at end-1992 - remain bones of contention with its external trading partners. The chemical, engineering and textile industries in particular have successfully protested to the EC Commission against "unfair" competition. As a result, temporary anti-dumping duties have been imposed. At the same time. as part of its system of general tariff preferences, the EC can set certaio

"The regions with the greatest growth potential lie outside the EC."

quotas and ceilings for imports from developing countries of what it considers sensitive goods - a category which is stretched to the very limit.

This underlines the fundamental weakness of the Community's largely "ad hoc" trade policy, which, lacking a clear-cut strategy, can easily be made to serve the wrong ends.

The EC Commission places the interests of individual member

countries on a par with those of the Community as a whole, leaving the EC's taxpayers and consumers to pick up the bill in the form of higher prices and subsidies. What is more, many of the supposedly temporary trade restrictions have proved to be permanent. Consequeotly, plans by the EC Commission to increase its powers in this area are vigorously opposed by those EC members who take a

more market-oriented approach to economic policy. In addition, calls to uphold "fair trade" by retaliating against the unilateral measures adopted by the U.S. cannot be reconciled with the principle - ostensibly espoused by the EC - of a global free-trade regime. Nor are they in the best interests of the Community itself.

Unlike the members of Nafta and its Asia-Pacific counterparts, the EC countries already have a highly integrated common market, with strunger trade in services likely to provide the main impetus for growth. The eotry of the four Esta applicants will not generate any marked expansioo in trade, as their economies are already closely linked with those of the EC.

Thus, if its members wish to boost their exports significantly, they will have to look beyond the EC's borders. Indeed, the regions with the greatest growth poteotial lie outside the EC. For this reason, the European Community would

EC's external trade by selected regions and regional growth potential Share of SC trade 3 4 5 's based on IMF and own estimates

> be well-advised to abandon its current tariff system based on preferential market access. It should pursue a multilateral approach and do all that it can to bring the Uruguay Round to a successful conclusion. The countries of Central and Eastern Europe in particular urgently need a radical opening-up of the EC's

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one of Malaysia's great natural wonders, situated in the Mulu Nathat it is still better than in many tional Park on the banks of the haps more hopeful than in many Melinau River. The Berawan people other parts of the world. Confihave lived along this river for many dence generates more of the same. generations. They were instrumen JOHN D. PHILIPSBORN. tal in bringing the caves to the no-. Deauville, France. tice of the outside world, and in assisting with their exploration and development for visitors. They have formed tour companies and built Oil in Somalia Regarding "Somalia: One Reamodest but comfortable guest son Why" (Letters, Sept. 7): houses close to the caves. Development has been on a limited scale in The writer implies that there is a

keeping with the nature of the site. connection between the U.S. mili-Some years ago, a plot of land was bought by the State Forestry tary involvement in Somalia and U.S. oil investments. Although it is Department from the Berawan. true that the four American oil This was subsequently sold to a developer, who built a hunny hotel companies mentioned in her letter held concessions in that country downstream from the caves. The before the overthrow of President local people have no objection to Mohammed Siad Barre in January this botel nor to the airstrip that has 1991, Somalia is only of marginal interest to the oil industry and it is been built to improve access. How-ever, it now seems that a second unlikely that any company would phase of hotel construction has been started, and a golf course prowant any U.S. military involve-

Regarding the report "You Are What You Write?" (Aug. 3):

that graphology is serious busioess in France. For the past 40 years I have been working closely with clinical psychologists and psychotherapists who have readily admitted that it took them months of sessions to

with the human psyche. In a half-century career I have built up a clientele of companies run by hardheaded business people who would not keep me on for a second if my analyses were not consistently accurate.

There are, of course, some poorly trained graphologists, who are casting a shadow on the profession, jus as in the medical and legal fields. FELIX KLEIN. New York.

Vietnamese Pop: This Singing Star Is a Bit Unusual

For One Thing, Dalena Comes From Indiana

By Seth Mydans
New York Times Service

TESTMINSTER. California — Her long blond hair, hlue eyes and round, healthy face evoke the sunshine of Indiana, where she was born. Her full, melodious voice, with its mysterious minor undertones and subtle quaver, seems to flow directly from the mist-shrouded valleys of Vietnam, where she has never been.

Although she sings in a language she does not understand, a young American woman who calls herself simply Dalena has become one of the hottest pop stars in the culture of overseas Vietnamese.

Her cassettes and compact disks of Vietnamese popular songs are top sellers, her concerts are sold out Small children pursue her. Old men gaze and mutter her name. Camera flashes follow her like trails of fireflies. "Can we take a picture togeth-er with you?" said a middle-aged Vietnamese man, breathless after running with his wife to catch up with her. "We just arrived from

France."
"People appreciate Dalena be-cause she appreciates them," said Yen Do, editor of the Vietnameselanguage newspaper Nguoi Viet Daily News in Westminster.

The man from France, Jacques Pham, spoke of her with wonder: "Some people say she is half-Viet-namese, but she is not. She is a perfect American. But her spirit is like a Vietnamese."

Playing to this image, Dalena cul-tivates a demure and wholesome bearing and rejects proposals that she dress in Vietnamese style. Constantly gracious, she signs auto-graphs, adorned with a heart, in purple marker and sings a few bars for her admirers on request.

Dalena (whose last name is Morton) calls herself "the girl next door" and "just plain old ordinary me," and when asked her age, smiles mys-teriously and says, "I like to think of myself as 22."

Whether she is in her 20s or in her
30s, she determinedly retains a littlegirl air. She talks with youthful enthusiasm about her large family, her many pets and the strength of her

Beyond image, her success is founded on a stunning ability to mimic the sounds and rhythms of the Vietnamese language. Like few other foreigners, she can catch its subtleties of tone and diction, softening consonants, flattening vowels, sli her voice over its intonations

- without understanding a word.

It's a gift from God, that's all I

UT perfecting it has taken hard work. Dalena selects her songs for their melodies and only learns the meaning of the lyrics after she has memorized their sounds. "I listen to the songs in earphones over and

Once she has learned the songs, Vietnamese friends explain their meanings, she said, and she re-translates their explanations into English lyrics, often inserting them as added

In a conversation at a local coffee shop — Dalena is not a lover of Vietnamese food - she said she began to imitate loreign languages as a child in Florida, where the family moved from Indiana. Lingering over tea with her mother, Darlene Arenberg, who is also her manager, Dalena said she did not realize that her ability was something special until people began asking, "How can you do that?"

Until a few years ago she worked as a ticket seller at Disney World, where visitors from around the world thought she was a native speaker when she offered a greeting. Dalena, a devotee of martial arts, often rented Chinese movies, and found herself picking up Cantonese. Then, she said, about five years ago she memorized a song in Cantonese and, at the suggestion of an ac-quaintance, also memorized one in Vietnamese.

ORD spread, and Dalena began performing at Vietnamparties. In 1991, she had a sixmonth engagement at the Ritz nightclnb bere in what is effectively the capital of the 700,000-strong Vietnamese community in the United States, half of whom are in California. Her first recording contract, with a small Vietnamese-run studio, soon followed.

Since then, Dalena said, she has released five albums and has sung in many Vietnamese communities in the United States and Europe. This year, she traveled to Russia to sing for Vietnamese workers in Moscow and St. Petersburg. But she said she was still waiting

for improved relations between Washington and Hanoi before traveling to Vietnam, where bootleg

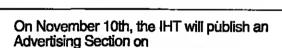
tapes of her music are in circulation.

Arenberg would only say, in an understatement, that Dalena oow earns "more than when she worked at Disney." But she is still far from a millionaire rock star. Even the top Vietnamese singers, like Dalena, usually earn no more than \$5,000 for a solo concert and small local producers rarely offer royalties after

paying just a few hundred dollars for each recorded song. One song people ask Dalena to sing is "Ten Years of Separation," a popular ballad of lovers whose long paring — through war or through exile — has not dimmed their feelings. "For 10 years I haven't seen you," she sings, in Vietnamese. "For 10 years I thought the allure had faded. But now I see you again."

The ballad embodies the key

themes of Vietnamese pop music, songs that have hardly changed over the last 30 or 40 years. "There over again," she said. "Sometimes I are many oew singers all the time, fall asleep at night with the earphones on. Basically, you have to try said. "It is as if they were singing all to turn your tongue upside down, so the time 'Smoke Gets in Your Eyes'



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Christian Slater in "True Romance," a film that redefines an old formula for a new generation that worships pop culture and takes violence for granted.

'True Romance,' a Real B-Movie for the '90s

By Caryn James

EW YORK - The body count is sprinkled like confetti through "True Romance," as cops shoot it out with mobsters, someone's head is bashed in, and a pimp pays for his crimes by being shot in the crotch. Yet it would be wrongheaded to get worked up over the apparent amorality or violence in the hot genre picture of the moment

This is a tale of young lovers — played with piquant emotion by Christian Slater and Patricia Arquette - who accidentally fall into murderous doings and still manage to remain sweet kids.

Look at the witty grace notes surrounding their

suddenly violent honeymoon; a cop, realizing he is aiming his gun at a thug who speaks only Italian, growis, "Come outta from behinda the couch"; the man whose head is smashed is attacked in selfdefense with the heavy lid of a toilet tank; one amateur killer drops a photo-ID at the scene of the

These goofy elements suggest the skewed way in which the writer Quentin Tarantino redefines the B-movie, sprucing it up for an age that worships pop culture and takes violence for granted.

Though the film was directed by Tony Scott, best known for "Top Gun," the film's voice be-longs to Tarantino. It shares a defining element with the first movie be wrote and directed, "Reser-voir Dogs," the slick, ultraviolent, superbly acted 1992 crime caper that brought new life and blood to the genre.

When the call girl named Alahama (Arquette) and the shy comic-book store clerk named Clarence (Slater) wind up with a suitcase full of someone else's cocaine, Tarantino goes on to exploit the B-movie's classic gift.

Its formulaic unreality - of course the lovers hit the road, of course they get a gun, of course they make love in a phone booth — serves as a safety valve that distances viewers from violence and makes murder palatable, a lark.

Yet, unlike most genre heroes (Bonnie and Clyde are conspicuous exceptions), Clarence and Alabama seem real and humanly moving, even while they drive their purple Cadillac through the unreal landscape of the film ooir. Like "Reservoir Dogs," "True Romance" concocts scenes that are

film's noirish air of fantasy.

And "True Romance" adds much humor and a '90s spin of pop-culture self-consciousness. Clarence behaves the way he imagines Elvis would have wanted him to. A fantasy Elvis (Val Kilmer in a gold lame suit) even appears in the bathroom to say, "Clarence, I like you — always have, always will." Clarence and Alabama meet at a kung fu movie; they watch gangster flicks and soaps on

This is not hipness for its own sake but for the purpose of making the formula relevant to a new generation Tarantino, 30 years old and famous in inter-

views as a former video-store clerk, is a product of the movies by chronology and inclination. Here he is redefining violence and morality in terms of pulp fiction, but also in pop-cultural terms his audience

will instantly be in sync with.

When Clarence follows Elvis's advice and turns violent, he is listening to a voice that is like a god's to him. Hearing Elvis is his version of a religious

So what if Alabama was a prostitute? She is beginling and honest about it. When she tells Clarence she loves him, she begins by saying how foolish she feels, because they've known each other for less than 24 hours and, as she puts it, "me being a call girl . . ." But in this impoetic age, you take romance where you find it.

And when Clarence's father (Dennis Hopper) tells the kids, "I think you make a real cute couple," he means it; and the audience believes it. This is a world where cliches become real, though in a twisted, often macabre way. The very title "True Romance" comes to suggest a new reality as well as the old, trashy magazines

that inspired such stories. It makes sense that Tarantino's next film, which he has written and will direct, is called "Pulp Fiction." That title makes a nest match with the current film and would fit it easily. "True Romance" itself is "90s pulp fiction and proud of it.

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There may be something darkly disturbing about the appeal of crime films themselves, for they speak to some deep need to release violence. But that's a different story, which these filmmakers seem to take as a given. By exploiting the genre so cleverly. Tarantino reveals the virtues of being a

Cut 'Hair,' but Take a Look at 'Great Big Radio Show'

By Sheridan Morley

ONDON - "Hair" was always a not, beneath the lights. four-letter word: it was also, back in 1968, a distinctly minor Broadway musical. Neither its composer nor its lyricists (one since deand the show has lived on best as a movie sons unfathomable to convert the second musical version of "Apocalypse Now."

"Hair" has a couple of adequate num-

Faced with an incoherent book and a for the first time in 20 year. Tom Star Dead," we once with have a major off-dire score, the cast at the Uki Vic at least part is "Travesties" is back with us in a stage play with a minor onstage participant bas the grace to look both shifty and can joyous RSC revival by Adrian Noble at the wondering what went wrong. In this case the loss of some trousers and an unpaid liams you will have some idea of what is

Better news nnt at the Watermill in Newbury, where Philip Glassborow's "The Great Big Ratio Show" is an immensely loving and knowledgeable parody of the ceased) ever again wrote anything of note, big-band shows of 1930s American airwaves. His cast is full of such familiar to which Milos Forman brought his much-needed talents. The original was always a mess, and it has not been helped by the the Ruby Keeler soubrette (Danielle Cardirector of the revival at the Old Vic, Mison) who goes out there a waitress and chael Bogdanov, who has decided for reacomes back a star, the mysterious Garboesque star (Elizabeth Counsell), the Donald half into what looks like the Wagnerian O'Connor and Phil Silvers comics, even the

gangster double-act from "Kiss me Kate." Glassborow weaves all this into a bers, no discernible plot and a ghastly "Dames at Sea" format, half mockery and hippie amateurishness which culminated in half affectionate nostalgia, and on the Waan invitation, still extended, to have the termill's minoscule stage Angela Hardeasaudience dance on stage because the creators are unable to come up with any nther

One, I'd have thought, for the American

Stoppard at his closest to the undergradu- Lenin then." ate Alan Bennett with all the forgetful literary jokes of "What did you do in the

"quadrioculate Irish git" now recalled as But, as another character notes, oh the entente cordiality of it all: we are in Zurich

Great War, Dada?" and James Joyce as a

THE BRITISH STAGE

in 1917. Carr of the Consulate, our narra-tion, reminiscence of a time when social tor hero (Antony Sher in fine, manic form) revolution in Russia meant unaccomis recalling a local amateur-theatrical per- women smoking at the opera, and Switzerformance of "The Importance of Being land was a bloody awful country where even Earnest" for which the cast included Lenm, Joyce and Dada, all then exiles in come back as a trip down a memory lane Switzerland. So, as in Stoppard's earlier which soon becomes a hall of mirrors.

this one comes of the world of "Beyond the laundry bill and the failure to recognize a Fringe" and "Forty Years On," offering us revolutionary leader "because he wasn't Carr is one of the great comic creations of

our time: "I wrote "Ulysses," replies Joyce when asked by Carr what he did in the Great War, "and what did you do?" Bloody nerve, notes Carr, as he continues his half forgotten memoirs of the great. "Travesties" was originally to have been called "Prism" after the governess of "The Importance," and it is a play about the nature of senile reminiscence halfway to the Finland Sta-

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are At the Lyric Hammersmith, Jane Bow-

going on here and also why Bowles was so deeply beloved of both Williams and Truman Capote, if nnt her theatrical audiences. This, her only play, ran only a malter of weeks back on Broadway in 1953 and has almost never been seen since, though it comes to London with an immensely starry cast headed by Rosemary Harris and Dana

Set in a decaying California beach house (oddly re-created at Hammersmith to look more like Acapulco), it concerns a couple of neurotic, much-married mothers and their reclusive daughters, one of whom may finally have killed the other. Situated somewhere halfway from "The Madwoman of Chaillot" to "Suddenly Last Summer," it's one of those hothouse pieces which are beloved of actors for their fey histrionics and gothic folly but ultimately of precious (and I do mean precious) bittle interest to anyone not involved in the rehearsals.

After the Backlash: Nirvana Reclaims the Fringe

and" has sold more than four million

By Rob Tannenbaum

elbowing one another out of the way en route to the Pacific Northwest. They signed nearly everyone with long hair and a flannearly everyone w Then, of course, came the backlash. By

Untero" (CD and cassette), nearly toppies under the weight of contempt and vitriol. Cobsin was a misanthrope even when he

punk groups as Wire, Gang of Four, and Public Image Ltd. in such songs as "Milk mind" has sold more than four million copies, a startling increase from the 30,000 sales of the trio's previous album, "Bleach," on the Seattle label Sub Pop.

Other major record companies drew a simple moral: the vibrant, hostile, grinding rock 'n' roll known as grunge could be elevated into a lucrative teenage commodity. Soon, record company executives were supposed to the sakklash. Although Nirvana's singer, lyri-

Unsettled by the homophobia inherent in rock machismo, he gave an interview to The Advocate, a gay monthly, and declared himself "gay in spirit," even though he's married to Courtney Love, leader of the ultrapunk band Hole. Given his position as an embattled ce-

lebrity, it's unsurprising to find Cobain singing repeatedly about the abuse of power on "In Utero." "Tecnage angst has paid off well / Now I'm bored and old," he announces in "Serve the Servants." By mocking himself before anyone else can, he challenges his fans and critics to puzzle out

Rob Tannenbaum, music columnist for GQ and a contributing editor at Details, wrote this for The New York Times...

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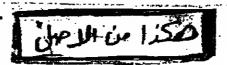
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STOCKS: From Russia, a Sell-Off

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adjustments," said Peter DaPuzzo. senior managing director at Cantor, Fitzgerald & Co., referring to the increase to 35 percent in corporate taxes approved by Congress in

Angust "There's not a great deal of confidence" in analysts' earnings fore-

casts, said Barry Berman, head trader at Robert W. Baird & Co. in

For most of the session, investors were preoccupied with the domestic economy and a perception that interest rates are turning higher, said Thom Brown, managing direc-tor at Rutherford, Brown & Catherwood in Philadelphia.

Rising long-term interest rates lead to concern that the economic recovery will be choked off, lessening the appeal of stocks relative to fixed-income investments.

Long-term interest rates began to rise after the Commerce Department said housing starts in August rose an unexpectedly strong 7.8 percent to an annual rate of 1.323 million. The oews helped drive the yield on the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond to 6.13 percent from 6.10 percent on Monday.

"Interest rates are sneaking back up again," Mr. Brown said.
There's a fairly widely held belief
that low interest rates mean higher stock prices and vice versa, and that the moment you see higher interest rates, get out of stocks." Long-term interest rates have risen from a record low of 5.84

percent reached on Sept. 8 amid concern inflation may accelerate. "There's another perception around that the market is in very pricey territory," Mr. Brown said. The S&P 500, for instance, sells at 23.2 times last year's earnings and yields 28 percent, historically a

sign that stocks are expensive. Drug stocks rallied after an aide to President Bill Clinton said the administration would consider adjusting its formula for financing health care, and might phase in long-term care more slowly. Merck & Co. rose % to 31%, Bristol-Myers Souibb climbed 1% to 58%, Johnson & Johnson rose 1 to 38% and

Pfizer Inc. gained 1 1/2 to 60%. Temporary-employment stocks were lower after James Chanos, head of Kynikos Associates, a large short-selling firm, was quoted as saying in a newspaper column that the companies stand to lose from Mr. Clinton's proposed health-care reforms because it would force employers to provide health insurance even to part-time workers.

Manpower Inc. fell 1 to 1514, Olsten Corp. dropped 2½ to 27%. Kelly Services Class A shares fell % to 231/2. Adia Services skidded 21/4 to 234 and Robert Half International Inc. dropped 3 to 26%.

DOLLAR: Yeltsin Sends It Higher

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November futures for Breat blead crude oil, the world benchmark, traded as high as \$16.98 per barrel, up almost 75 cents a barrel.

Gold shot ahead as traders speculated that turmoil in Russia could disrupt production of the metal. Gold for December delivery was

up \$9.50, st \$365.00 an ounce, on Foreign Exchange

the New York Commodities Exchange. Platinum for October delivery was \$4.40 higher, at \$366.00 an ounce, and silver for December delivery was \$9.3 cents higher at \$4.215 an ounce.

Former Soviet republics together constitute the fourth-largest gold producer in the world, accounting for more than 10 percent of new mined production each year.

"It's all Yeltsin, There's a cuphoria surrounding the news," said Scott Meyers, commodity analyst with Redel Trading in New York. "It's much too early to tell" whether the jump in prices will last, he

The dollar gained against the yen, meantime, after Treasury Sec-retary Lloyd Bentsen said the Bank of Japan's interest-rate cut Tuesday would help curb Japan's swelling trade surplus. The Bank of Japan cut its discount rate to a record low 1.75 percent from 2.5 percent

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in an effort to jump start the

slumping economy. "Bentsen's comments are jus another reason to buy dollars," said Amy Smith, market strategist at IDEA, a financial consulting

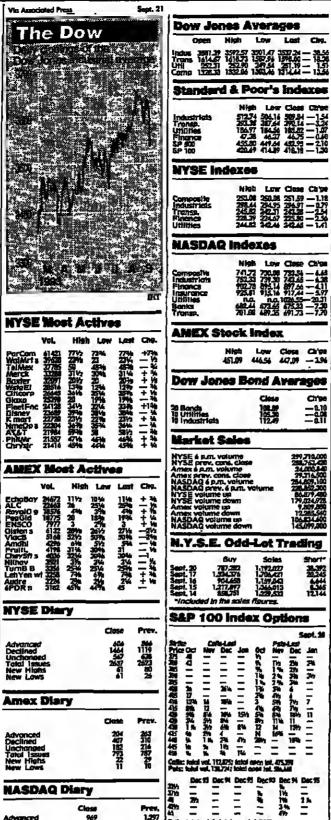
The dollar jumped to 106.33 year from its Monday close of 104.65. The U.S. government has pressed Japan to spur domestic demand for U.S. exports in order to balance trade between the two nations. If U.S. officials are satisfied with Japan's efforts, they will refrain from talking up the value of the yen.

President Bill Clinton and Mr. Bentsen have both said that the strong yen could help curb the surplus by making Japanese exports more expensive. Those comments sent the dollar tumbling against the yen earlier this year.

The dollar also rose against other currencies. It rose to 5.7070 French francs from 5.6190 on Monday and to 1,4225 Swiss francs from 1.4015. The pound fell to \$1.5143 from

Earlier in Sydney, the Australian dollar surged after the Reserve Bank governor, Bernie Fraser, said in a Tokyo speech that the central bank was prepared to lift interest rates, if necessary, to stauch sharp plunges in the currency.

The dollar jumped to 65.16 U.S. cents from an intraday low of 64.87



Canal Plus Profit Rises 33%

PARIS - The Canal Plus television octwork reported a profit jump on Tuesday, but the Pechiney aluminum and packaging companhy announced a net loss for the first half of 397 million francs (\$71 million),

against a profit of 782 million francs a year earlier.

Pechiney said it would be unprofitable in the second half because of low uminum prices but the loss would be "well under" the first-half level. Canal Plus reported net profit of 676 million francs for the first six months, up 33.3 percent. That improvement was due to an extraordinary item of 160 million francs, which included 140 million from Chargeurs Group, which became a stockholder in Canalsatellite this year.

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Housing Starts Rocketed in August

WASHINGTON (AP) — Housing starts shot up 7.8 percent in August to the highest level in three-and-a-half years, the government said Tuesday. The Commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes and the commerce Department said construction of new homes are constructed as the commerce of th apartments totaled a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.32 milhon, the highest level since 1.44 million in February 1990. It was the steepest

increase since an 11.1 percent gain a year earlier.

Applications for building permits, a barometer of future activity, jumped 7.5 percent in August, to a 1.25 million rate, after posting 1 4.2 percent advance a month earlier.

Digital Communications Sells Out

ALPHARETTA, Georgia (Bloomberg) — Digital Communications Associates Inc. said Tuesday that it had agreed to sell itself to affiliates of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe and the Sprout Group for \$15.75 a

share, or about \$195 million.

The price was 25 cents a share higher than the bid of \$18.50 made by the price was 25 cents a share higher than the bid of \$18.50 made by products company's shares, which rose \$3.50 on Monday, ended up \$1.50 on Tuesday, at \$18.625, on the New York Stock Exchange.

The transaction will be funded by Weish, Carson, an investment firm specializing in busyons in the information processing and health-care

specializing in buyouts in the information processing and health-care industries; Sprout Group, the venture capital affiliate of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jearette Inc.; and bank financing.

Chase Sells Some Real Estate Assets

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) - Chase Manhattan Corp. said Tuesday that it had sold \$725 million in commercial real estate loans and

A Chase spokesman refused to elaborate. But a person familiar with the transaction said the assets were sold for about \$400 million, or 55

percent of face value. The person said the bank sold six pools of assets. The buyers included two real estate firms, Colony Capital Corp. of Los Angeles and, Aldrich, Eastman & Waltch of Boston.

Outside Bid for Katy Industries Gains

ELGIN, Illinois (Combined Dispatches) - An outside, \$261 million

ELGIN, Illinois (Combined Dispatches) — An outside, \$261 million bid for Katy Industries Inc. appeared on Tuesday to have beaten a competing offer from the controlling family.

Katy, a diversified manufacturer, said that a special committee appointed to evaluate buyout proposals concluded that a \$29-a-share offer by Rosecliff Pensler Partners was credible and "merits further exploration." The stock fell \$1, to \$26.25 a share, on the New York Stock Exchange.

The committee withdrew its approval of a \$25.75-a-share offer by members of the Carroll family, who hold more than 52 percent of Katy's outstanding common stock, and the family said it expects to terminate its merger agreement with Katy's board.

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

Ford Pulls Out of Venture With Fiat

DETROIT (Bloomberg) — Ford Motor Co. said Tuesday it has ended its minority participation in New Holland NV, a subsidiary of Fiat SpA. by giving up its 6 percent stake in the tractor and agricultural company.

A Ford spokesman could oot immediately say if Ford sold the stake to Fiat or realized a cash gain from completing the divestment.

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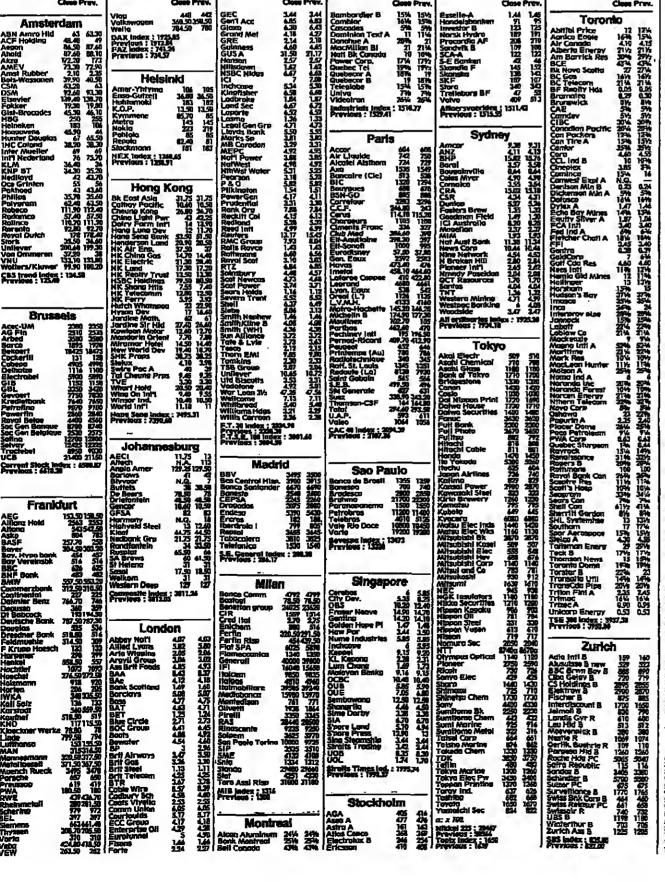
Tower Air Inc., a charter airline that flies from New York to Los Angeles, Miami, Paris and Israel, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to sell 3.75 million shares of common stock to raise \$50

Coca-Cola Co. will pay \$50 million for all brands owned by the Indian soft drinks leader Parie Exports Ltd. and set up two 50-50 ventures with Parle to bottle and market Coca-Cola drinks.

(Reuters)

Upjohn Co. elected Richard Brown, vice chairman of Ameritech Corp., and Geraldine Kenney-Wallace, president of McMaster University in

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Chiat/Day Hits a Bump,

But the Decade Is Young

By Bruce Horovitz

Los Angeles Times Service

OS ANGELES — Is the "Ad Agency of the Decade" flinching? Is it in trouble? Or is it just being its ornery self? Chiat/Day, the Los Angeles ad firm Advertising Age called the "Agency of the Decade" three years ago, ran national newspaper ads this week that tried to put the best light on some very bad news: It was fired last week by Reebok.

The headline to its newspaper ad said: "Now we know how Dan felt." The reference is to Dan O'Brien, the decathlete who embarrassed himself and Reebok, his sponsor, during the 1992 Summer

But like the ever-moving Energizer rabbit, Chiat/Day keeps on

man Brothers and Koyai Caribbean Cruise Lines.

But Chiat/Day is an enigma. Advertising analysts, agency rivals and current clients insist that, ironically, it is because Chiat/Day is such an outstanding creative company — and not a mega-agency singularly focused on growth — that its relationship with clients is singularly focused on growth — that its relationship with clients is singularly focused in That may also be advertising it of the second and the clients of the control of t

so often on the edge. That may also be why its advertising is often so

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Reebok has dropped

the ad agency.

Olympics when he failed to qualify for the American Olympic team. Chiat/Day had coaxed First the had news:

Reebok International Ltd. into spending upward of \$30 million on a TV campaign that pitted O'Brien against a teammate,

Dave Johnson, in a battle for the



Michelin Job Cuts International Herald Tribune World Stock Index e, composed of 230 internationally investable stocks from 20 countries, compiled by Bloomberg Buainess News. Jan. 1, 1992 = 100.

Compiled by Our Staff From Disposches PARIS — Compagnie Générale des Etablissements Michelin SCA said Tuesday it had a first-half loss of 3.19 billion French francs (\$565.4 million), reflecting slumping sales in Europe and Japan and a big charge

for a job-cutting program.

Although its finance director,

Revenue at the world's largest tire maker fell 7.5 percent, to 30.62 billion francs.
Michelin, which has about 20

had profit of 820 million francs a year earlier.

The first-half loss included a

cover the cost of a two-year job-cutting program in Europe and

pensable for the competitiveness of the group," said Mr. Bourdais de

of a previously announced plan to cut 2,950 jobs in France, 2,500 jobs in North America and some jobs in Spain. The company, which is based in Clermoot-Ferrand, France, said in June that its Span-ish unit, SAFE Neuméticos Miche-

from the first half of 1992, to 793 million francs.

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a 27 percent drop in truck-tire sales. In addition, pricing pressures in the United States whittled down profit margins, Michelin said.

Although its the fall in sales

We should be ready to confront a crisis which could last," Mr.

(Reuters, AFP, Bloomberg) years," said Mr. Rich, a 20-year veteran of the group,

Paramount Is in Play Stock Soars on Possibility of More Bids

NEW YORK - Expectations of a bidding war for Paramount Communications Inc. pushed the company's stock up in active trading Tuesday, analysts said. Paramount ended up \$7.625 a

more than 6.5 million shares. Late Monday, QVC Network Inc., led by the veteran entertainment executive Barry Diller, sur-faced with a \$9.5 billion bid for the company, far exceeding Via-com Inc.'s cash-and-stock offer,

which is currently valued about

share, at \$77.375, on volume of

Jessica Reif, an analyst at Op-penheimer & Co., said QVC, which operates a home-shopping cable-television channel, seemed to have the upper hand for the moment. "Any way you look at it, QVC has a much stronger bid," she said.

Arbitragers and analysts said Sumner Redstone, the Viacom chairman, would have to match Mr. Diller's offer if he wants to stay in the bidding. Before taking control of Viacom in 1987, Mr. Redstone raised his offer for that company several times. Mr. Diller was head of Paramount's film studio in the early 1980s.

By Kevin Murphy

Ltd., a colonial trading house turned modern con-glomerate, announced Tuesday that its managing di-rector, Nigel Rich, would step down from one of Hong

"I wanted to be young enough to take on something else," said Mr. Rich, who is 48 years old. "I've worked in a few troubled situations for Jardines. I'm equipped to run businesses when they are in difficult times."

Mr. Rich is leaving a powerful position that over-

He will be succeeded by Alasdair Morrison, 45, who

"I never planned to stay on much more than five

Sept. 21

International Herald Trib HONG KONG - Jardine Matheson Holdings

Kong's highest-profile jobs next March.

and entertainment organization. has clearance from the board of his Turner Broadcasting System Inc. to explore a possible bid for

Paramount, a movie, television and publishing company, But he may have less of a chance of getting financing for a bid now that QVC's bid has the backing of another major cable operator, John Malone, Mr. Malone's Tele-Communications Inc. owns about 22.5 percent of Turner Broadcasting.

Viacom, an entertainment and communications concern, and Paramount have said that their merger would be a perfect fit. Paramount, with its wealth of strength in original program-ming, and Viacom, with its powerhouse of cable-television networks targeted to the youth market" would be a powerful combination, Edward Hatch, an analyst at UBS Securities Ltd.,

But with the entertainment industry at the center of the changes sweeping through com-munications technology, there was speculation that other bidders could step forward, such as

House PLC.

Jardine's Chief Steps Down

Paramount's board was notified of the QVC bid by letter Monday. With the prospect of more offers and counteroffers to come, its chairman, Martin S. Davis, may have to take a back seat to the 10 independent mem-bers of his board, who would weigh the competing offers and decide who buys the company.

What would make a QVC victory all the more bitter for Mr. Davis is that Mr. Diller is QVC's chairman, Mr. Diller left Paramount in 1983 after a series of battles with Mr. Davis, who had replaced Mr. Diller's mentor Charles G. Bluhdorn, Mr. Diller then went on, first, to create the to expand QVC.

Because both Viacom and QVC are offering stock as part of their transactions, their stock prices will affect the value of their bids. QVC stock was up 12.5 cents a share, at \$56.125, in overthe-counter trading. But Viacom, whose share price has dropped sharply since it disclosed its bid for Paramount on Sept. 12, was down \$2.50, to \$56.75.

controlled by the Keswick family. The group also includes Dairy Farm International Ltd., Jardine Inter-

national Motor, Mandarin Oriental Hotels and Jar-dine Strategic Holdings Ltd.

"This will give my successor time to prepare for 1997," when China assumes control of Hong Kong.

consider a strong performance managing Hongkong

Land, the pre-eminent landlord in the colony's com-

mercial district, and leading its diversification into

port development and a 25 percent stake in the real

estate, construction and shipping company Trafalgar

14.5 percent increase over the year-earlier period.

Mr. Morrison has turned in what market analysts

Russia Troubles Trigger Sell-Off On Wall Street

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks nosedived Tuesday as fresh political turmoil in Russia compounded concern about the strength of U.S. corporate earnings and rising interest rates, traders and analysts said.

The Russian situation "spooked the market" as President Boris N. Yeltsin disbanded parliament and called for new elections in December, said Edward Lanx, head trader at Kidder, Peabody & Co. Mr. Yeltsin's move caps a long-stand-ing dispote with hardliners who oppose attempts to reform the post-Soviet economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average plunged 67.9 points at one stage before closing at 3,537.24, down 38.56, in the biggest single-day drop since April 2. The average had fallen 37.45 on Monday.

Stocks weakened as computer

guided sell orders hit the market in mid-afternoon. The Dow average was led lower by economy-sensitive issues such as Caterpillar Inc., off 1% to 77%; Aluminum Co. of America, down 1% to 66%, and

Allied-Signal Inc., off 1% to 72%. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 2.10, to 452.95, led by declines in bank, utility, food and chemical stocks. The Nasdaq Composite In-dex skidded 6.66, to 733.55.

Declining common stocks out-oumbered advancers on the New York Stock Exchange 3 to 1 as stocks fell for the fifth time in six essions. Volume was heavy as 303.8 millioo sbares changed hands, up from 228.4 million trad-ed on Monday.

Turmoil in Russia and an unexpectedly large drop in Japanese in-terest rates combined to drive up precious metals prices, fueling con-cern about inflation. Gold surged \$9.50 an ounce, to \$365, and West Texas Intermediate for delivery in November rose 20 cents, to \$18.13

"We've been expecting Mr. Morrison to take over eventually for a while," one analyst said. "One could say his approach is very thorough, he sets a course and Russia has been one of the main pplier of metals," said Thomas Jardine Matheson, Hong Kong's largest employer after the local government, also said Tuesday that its net profit in the six months to June 30 was \$173.8 million, a flagher, bead trader at Oppenheimer & Co. "You take them out of the market, and the inflationary

"Any thoughts that the hard-liners might be getting back in power or that people aren't sure of "
who has their hands on the (nuclear) button always creates nervousness," Mr. Laux said.

The plunge in stocks was also fueled by mounting concern about corporate profits in the wake of " dismal forecasts from leading com-panies such as Nike Inc., Westinghouse Electric Corp., and Eastman Kodak Co., traders said.

"The third quarter could be down significantly because of tax See STOCKS, Page 12

Dollar, Gold And Oil Surge On the News

NEW YORK — The dollar and d gold and oil prices leapt on Tues-id day after President Bons N. Yelisin le dissolved the Russian legislature. 71
"News of trouble in Russia always has this type of knee-jerk re-: a action in the foreign exchange mar-

They're moving into dollars on 5. the safe-haven argument." The U.S. currency surged against the Deutsche mark to close at 1.6385 DM. That was oearly 3 ofennig up from Monday's close of 1,6100 DM.

ket," said Brian Martin, senior p.

economist at Citibank in London.

The mark is considered riskier 11 than the dollar because Germany is Russia's biggest creditor. Germany is also much more vulnerable if

turmoil spills into Eastern Europe. Reports of troop movements in foscow kept the dollar well bid t-

gainst the mark, said Dennis Pet- 1. Oil prices soured on fears that unrest in Russia might interrupt its

petroleum exports. The price of See DOLLAR, Page 12

Spur Loss

Eric Bourdais de Charbonnière, called the results "disappointing they were close to analysts' fore-casts of a 3 billion-franc loss.

percent of the world tire market,

provision of 2.64 billion francs to

"A sharp drop in costs is indis-

The provision will cover the costs

in had 2,500 employees too many.
But even excluding these provisions, profit was down sharply.
First-half operating profit, which excludes financial costs, tax and exceptional items, fell 71 percent

The decline was blamed on a 16 percent fall in sales of car tires and

sees a group of companies accounting for roughly 10 percent of the local stock market's capitalization. cemed to have bottomed out in the first quarter, Michelin said, it was has been operational head at Hongkong Land Holdings Ltd., a Jardine group company. Analysts said Mr. Morrison was ready for the added responsibilities and that there was no evidence Mr. Rich was forced to leave. too early to announce the end of

Bourdais de Charbonnière said.

Sega Opts for Chip

By Andrew Pollack · New York Three Service

TOKYO — Sega Enterprises Ltd. said Tuesday that it would base its next generation of home video-game machines on a chip being developed by a seemingly inexperienced partner, Hitachi Ltd. The company said it would introduce its new machine in the fall of 1994.

battle to sell advanced video-game machines with images more vivid and realistic than those possible in current machines.

Sega, which had not announced its plans for the new machine until Tuesday, appears to be setting out a middle course in terms of timing and price between Nimendo and 3DO. Although the company did

Dave Jonnson, in a battle for the title of "world's greatest athlete."

At first blush, the largest ad agency in the Los Angeles market — best known for setting the Evercady Energizer rabbit in motion — might seem to have a rocky future. After all, advertising dollars are disappearing at an alarming rate from the Southern California market where the 25-year-old agency has always looked for growth. The privately held agency is said to be struggling financially — and the provided block. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., which is making the 3DO player, is charging \$700, but will have the machine on the market next month, a year before Sega. Nintendo and Silicon Graphics have said their machine will cost about \$250, but it will not be ready until late 1995. But like the ever-moving Energizer rabbit, Chiat/Day Reeps on going and going.

"There is still plenty of spirit at Chiat/Day," its chairman, Jay Chiat, said in a telephone interview from his New York office.

"We're not just going to survive, we're going to thrive."

But it may not be easy. After spending millions to establish an international presence, Chiat/Day threw in the towel last year when it sold its costly operations in Australia and New Zealand. Yet the upstart ad firm was given the hook by Reebok last week because it was not considered global enough for the sneaker maker.

Chiat/Day is also saddled with a reputation of being a revolving door for clients. Reebok aside, over the past two years the agency has lost such advertisers as American Express Co., Shearson Lehman Brothers and Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines.

But Chiat/Day is an enigma. Advertising analysts, agency rivals

machine will cost about \$200, but it will not be ready that fare 1995. Hitschi is not known for expertise in microprocessors, the central chips used in personal computers and work stations. It has, however, long made a related type of chip used in electronic appliances. Nintendo's partner, Silicon Graphics of Mountain View, California, is a world leader in computer-generated imagery and also owns MIPS, a company that designs powerful microprocessors. Sega was offered the use of Silicon Graphics technology but turned it down, according to analysts and industry officials.

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Made by Hitachi

Sega and Hitachi will be pitted against the team of Nintendo Co. and Silicon Graphics Inc. and against a newcomer, 3DO Co., in the

not announce pricing, analysts said Sega was aiming at an initial price of about 50,000 yen (\$478) for a machine that will include a CD-ROM player for displaying video images.

according to analysts and industry officials.

One Sega executive said Hitachi's chip was attractively priced and would be designed with Sega's needs in mind, although it would not be exclusively for Sega's use. The companies said Sega's game machines might be sold through Hitachi's retail outlets. That could have been an inducement for Sega, which badly trails Nintendo in sales and distribution in Japan.

Sega and Hitachi said they would cooperate more broadly in multimedia, which involves computerized machines that can play video images and reproduce sounds as well as display text and data. Hitachi plans to make portable business machines as well as home multimedia players.

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Germany Plans 20% Cuts in **Holiday Pay**

Compiled by Our Stuff From Disputches bank, Agence France-Presse re-BONN — Chancellor Helmut ported from Frankfurt. Kohl's coalition proposed Tuesday that pay to workers on public holidays be cut by a fifth to compensate employers for the cost of a new

oursing-care insurance plan. "Payment of wages will be reduced by 20 percent on the 10 federal public holidays," the three coalia meeting chaired by Mr. Kohl.
Under the plan, workers would be offered the choice of giving up

two days of vacation instead The German Employees Union which represents more than a halfmillion white-collar workers, said it

would "respond with massive strikes" if the plan went through. The plan is intended to compensate companies for contributions to an insurance plan that will provide long-term nursing care for Germany's growing population of old peo-ple. The government hopes to start ple. The government hopes to start phasing in the insurance, financed by a 1.7 percent levy on pay divided

Average nursing-care costs have doubled over the past 20 years, to about 4,000 Deutsche marks (\$2,500) a month. The federal health system now pays about half the cost and individuals pay the

The white-collar union estimated that as well as having 0.85 percent of wages deducted as their contribu-tion to the insurance plan, average earners would now lose around 350 DM a year in pay. (Reuters, AP) ■ M-3 Rose in August

The German M-3 money supply rose at an annual rate of 7.2 percent n August, according to provisional figures released by the Bundes-

In July, M-3 had shown an annual growth rate of 7.4 percent. The money supply grew by 11.2 percent in the last six months, a spokesman for the central bank said. M-3 consists of cash in circulation, demand deposits and time and savings deposits of less than four years.

The bank has set a target for growth of money supply of 4.5 to 6.5 percent for the whole of 1993.

Miners Strike To Protest Cuts \pmb{At} Ruhrkohle

BERGKAMEN, Germany
- Hundreds of coal miners held strikes on Tuesday, after the announcement of large job cuts by Germany's biggest hard-coal producer, Ruhrkohle

ers' council at the Monopol pit said about 800 miners refused to begin the morning shift, and their colleagues declined to leave the pit after the night

Ruhrkohle said Monday that it would shut the Monopol mine and partly close two others, with a loss of 6,000 jobs by January, which would cut coal production by 3 million metric tons.

Rubrkohle had already planned to cut its payroll by 20,000 jobs in 1993-94.

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 British Coal will be offered for sale as five separate regional businesses under plans to privatize the corporation, the government announced. The regions will be in Scotland, Wales, northeastern England and the central coaffield, which will be split into two parts.

Cadbury Schweppes PLC said it would buy an 80 percent stake in the closely held Argentinian candy maker Productos Stant SAIC. The price

• Tesco PLC said it had pretax profit of £261.5 million (\$400.4 million) in its first quarter, ended Aug. 14, up 3.4 percent from a year earlier. The British supermarket operator and retailer said it would pay a first-half dividend of 2.45 pence a share, up from 2.25 pence.

Royal KNP BT, a Dutch paper and office-products group, plans to merge its paper divisions with Austrian paper producer Leykan-Murz-taler Papier & Zellstoff AG, of which it now owns 50.4 percent, by Jan. 1.

Tabacalera SA said Pedro Perez Fernández would succeed German Calvillo as chairman. The Spanish cigarette maker did not say why Mr. Calvillo was leaving the job.

Metallgesellschaft AG will have poor earnings in its smelting and carparts businesses in the year ending Sept. 30, Heinz Schimmelbusch, the company's chief executive, said.

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Dutch Budget Stresses Jobs

THE HAGUE - Job creation took precedence over ansterity in the Netherlands' budget for 1994 unveiled Tuesday, as the govern-ment forecast that claims for jobess benefits would reach their ighest levels in postwar history.
"Labor is a priority written in

capital letters," said Finance Minister Wim Kok

Christian Democrat-Labor coalition unveiled a budget calling for large investments in transportation infrastructure to boost the economy and a tax break for businesses on certain labor costs.

Although the government pre-dicted that gross domestic product

With less than eight months to go before a general election in May, Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers's number of people receiving unemployment benefits would rise to a post-World War II record of 715,000 from 650,000 this year.

Total spending is set for 198,7 billion guilders (\$109.7 billion), down slightly from this year's 207.1

Nissan to Slash Output at British Plant

LONDON - Nissan Motor Co. said Tuesday that it was slashing output at its British plant in the face of slump in car sales.

Nissan said it would produce 246,000 cars this year and next at its plant in Sunderland in northern England instead of the 270,000 originally planned for each year.

"The Continental European markets have failen sharply during the year," a Nissan spokesman, John Nielson, said. "There were expectations they would recover later in the year, but that clearly is not the case."

He said there would be no layoffs among the 4,600member work force but Nissan would cancel the night shift in November and December at Sunderland.

Vauxhall, General Motors Co.'s British unit, said Monday that it had reduced output at both its plants, and Peugeot Talbot, part of the PSA Peugeot Citroën company, has suspended production of its main 405 model and reduced that of its 306 model. Ford Motor Co. is cutting 2,600 British jobs this year.

European auto sales fell 16 percent in the first eight

the company expected profit of 200 million Deutsche marks

GATT: A High-Risk EC Strategy

Continued from Page 1 commitment to conclude the Urugusy Round by the December

One EC official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said it was "oute natural" that Mr. Kantor would seek to blunt any European hopes of major concessions on the

More important, he said, was that the two sides keep on talking and avoid a stalemate on agricul-ture. That will allow negotiators to ture. That will allow negotiators to make progress on tariff cuts and market openings in all the other goods and services covered in the Urugnay Round, he said. The hope is that the entire package will offer such attractive possibilities for stimulating the world economy that no one, particularly France, will risk a breakdown on farm issues alone.

sues alone.
"It's clear that this is going to be on the table until the last day," this official said of France's objections on agriculture. "And nobody has any interest in trying to clarify it

until the last day."
Willy Claes, the Belgian foreign minister, said the EC stance had removed the prospect of a blockage on farm issues and paved the way for progress at the Uruguay Round negotiations in Geneva. The big advantage of this agree-

ment is that finally we have the opportunity to oblige all the other partners to put their cards on the table," Mr. Claes, who chaired the EC ministerial meeting, told Belgian radio. A German official said the EC

ministers had succeeded in offering sympathy for the French govern-ment, which faces violent opposi-tion from its farmers to the Blair House deal, without locking themselves into any specific promises.

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By declaring their commitment to meeting the Dec. 15 deadline, the ministers also managed to "keep the French on board" for reaching a Uruguay Round deal.

This official dismissed the threat by Foreign Minister Alain Juppe to scuttle a global trade deal if France's farm demands were not

"The French veto threat is going to be repeated until the very end," be said.

In particular, German officials said they were determined to avoid having trade divide the Frenchcore of the Community.

But Irwin Grandinger, a Berlinbased political consultant, said

Bonn was merely putting off its hard choices. "They have to speak out very clearly, very soon, whether they will support the French or the

rest," Mr. Grandinger said. "And I think they will support the rest." Klaus Becher, a fellow at the

German Society for Foreign Affairs, said Germany would eventually need to offer financial concessions to get France to drop its veto threat. He said Bonn could offer to exclude Eastern Germany from the Community's agricultural support programs to free up funds for

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VW Executives To Visit Prague

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nand Piech, would meet Czech

government officials Thursday

in Prague to discuss VW's deci-

sion to scale back its invest-

ment in the automaker Skoda.

Mr. Pièch is to meet the min-ister of industry and trade, Vla-dimir Dlouhy, and Tomas Je-zek, chairman of the National

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Volkswagen AG said Tues-

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Contractor Arrested In Japan in **Bribe Case**

TOKYO - For U.S. trade nego-

tiators, the timing could not have been more fortuitous. They had just complained in

talks with Japan that widespread bribery and bid-rigging in the Japanese construction industry made it impossible for foreign companies

Now the chairman of Japan's largest construction company has been arrested. He is suspected of personally giving a bribe to a politician in return for favored access to public projects. Teruzo Yoshino, the chairman of Shimizu Corp., is the most prominent official to be arrested in a series of scandals that has shaken the construction industry and political world.

"I'm afraid damage to the Japan-U.S. construction talks will be un-avoidable," the government spokesman, Masayoshi Takemura, conceded Tuesday.

In talks over the weekend, Japan contended U.S. builders were not making enough effort to win work in Japan, a Construction Ministry official said. The Americans responded that the bribery scandals had convinced U.S. companies that

the Japanese market is closed. Washington has threatened to impose sanctions on Japanese companies in November if its demands for a complete opening of bidding on Japan's public-works projects are

(\$95,000) in December to a local governor, news reports said. Before his arrest Monday, he flatly denied to Japanese reporters that he had made any donation to the governor.

Construction Minister Kozo Igarashi warned the industry to shape up Tuesday. They should realize that it is suicidal for the entire industry if they keep doing things like this and cause public distrust," Mr. Igarashi said.

in Japan in early 1994.

Big Profit in Small Loans Credit Firms Join Tokyo Stock Market

TOKYO - Once thought of as little more than loan sharks beholden to Japan's yakuza gangster clans, small consumer-

finance companies here are trying to rid themselves of their shady image. In fact, three of the more suc-

cessful and reputable of these purveyors of high-risk loans companies known in Japan as sarakin — are joining Tokyo's over-the-counter stock market Promise Co. began trading Sept. 9, and its shares have already risen about 10 percent from their offering price of 6,900 yen (\$66). The second one, Sanyo Shimpan, began trading Tuesday, and Acom Co. is to be listed Oct. 1.

The three represent 34 percent of the consumer small-loan mar-ket, and they are slowly edging out their competition.

"It's a whole new industry coming to the market," David Snoddy, a financial analyst at Jardine Fleming Securities, said, and being listed will improve their reputations, not only with customers but with institutional investors as well."

Overall, the consumer-finance industry is expected to grow 7.5 percent to 10 percent a year over the next three to four years, Mr. Snoddy said, and the six largest sarakin are likely to have asset

growth levels of as much as 12.5 percent a year.

Analysts see an opportunity for these companies and investors alike, as hard times have led banks and large credit companies

to cut back on consumer loans. "If all of these bigger companies are being so tight with cred-

'It's a whole new industry coming to chines. the market, and being listed will improve their

reputations. David Snoddy, analyst at Jardine Fleming

it, it gives the littler sarakin a chance," said Alicia Ogawa, a financial industry analyst at Salomon Brothers.

The sarakin are well-established players in Japanese lending. There are about 7,000 of these sarakin, known in Japanese as the salarymen's fmance company, making high-interest unsecured loans to borrowers who cannot get credit from the banks and the bigger companies.

While past links to Japan's criminal gangs have hurt the industry's image, the sarakin have had a big impact on the consumer-loan business, paring the loanapplication process to its bare essentials.

After filling out a short form, a prospective applicant can walk away within 30 minutes with as much as 500,000 yen of revolving credit, and the companies' loan cards can be used to withdraw cash from automated teller ma-

Despite lending rates hovering around 30 percent, with a ceiling set by the government at 40.001 percent, the market will continue to grow, analysis said.

It is certainly turning out to be a profitable niche business. Promse Co. and Acom reported presax profit growth of 45.8 percent and 30.9 percent, respectively, in the year ended March 31.

That has matched or, more often, far exceeded the growth of most of the larger credit companies. Nippon Shinpan had growth in the year of 20.7 percent, JACCS had 31.3 percent, and Credit Saison, 14.1 percent.

In addition, the Bank of Japan's cut in the discount rate Thesday to 1.75 percent from 2.50 percent will help provide the sarakin with cheaper capital.

Japan's Rate Cut **Brings Markets** A Dose of Joy

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches the stock market and sent yen money-market rates to record lows.

The Bank of Japan slashed its discount rate - the rate at which it lends funds to commercial banks - by 0.75 percentage point early Tuesday, to a record low of 1.75 percent. While a cut had been widey anticipated, many had expected it to be only half a point until news leaked out just a few hours before the announcement.

The Nikkei 225-stock average, after falling for four days, shot up 200.62 points, or 0.99 percent, to 20.466.65.

"If the rate cut had been 50 basis points, it would have been nothing to get excited about, but 75 basis points is positive for the market environment," said Hideto Ko-jima, managing director at Asahi Life Investment Management Co.

Still several economists and analysts said, the move would not lessen the pressure on the government, from Japanese businesses as well as the United States and other trading partners, to take equally bold bud-getary measures to get an economic recovery under way.

TOKYO - A bigger-than-ex- ket was joiled by Tuesday's move, pected cut in Japan's discount rate Tuesday halted a four-day slide in fell to a record low 2 16/32 percent from Monday's 2 30/32 percent.

Japanese government ministers expressed confidence that the big rate cut would lead to a smooth economic noturn.

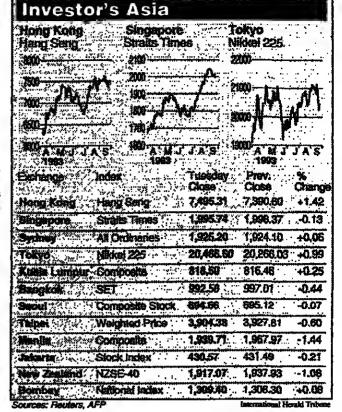
"I am certain that the rate cut will contribute significantly to sus-tainable growth in Japan's economy, in combination with various past government measures. nance Minister Hirobisa Fujii said.

Still, cutting the discount rate is likely to have only a moderate impact in terms of economic recovery. Although it will make it easier for businesses to borrow money to invest, many Japanese companies — in major industries such as automobiles, steel and electrical appliances, are suffering from excess production capacity and might have little or no need for additional borrowing.

In the foreign-exchange market, owever, traders brushed aside the rate cut and said the dollar would be influenced more by U.S.-Japanese talks on trade and other issues this week and next. The cut, which reflected the fears

of the central bank that Japan's economy was heading for hard times, was the seventh in the discount rate since July 1991. By comparison, the discount rate on central bank loans to commercial banks is 3 percent in the United States and 6.25 percent in Germany.

Last week, Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa announced Japan's third emergency economic stimult package in 13 months, about \$57 billion of public spending, low-in-terest loans for housing and business incentives. The package, however, was widely criticized for being too small and for not including a cut in income taxes.



Very briefly:

Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co., Japan's biggest international telecommunications carrier, will cut rates for overseas calls by an average of 2.4 percent on Oct. 10, passing on gains from the high yen to consumers.

Japanese police arrested three businessmen, including the former president of a bankrupt investment firm, Jasi Japan Inc., on suspicion that they swindled the bulk of 7 billion yen (\$67 million) from hundreds of investors who thought they were investing in Australian bonds.

. Toyota Motor Corp. said it had developed a catalytic converter for cleaning gasoline-engine exhaust emissions, using palladium rather than the conventional platinum and rhodium.

• Telestra Corp., the overseas arm of Australia's government-owned telecommunications company, is to invest \$122 million on a new submarine cable linking Vietnam with Thailand and Hong Kong, taking Telestra's investment in Vietnam to \$197 million.

· Vietnam Investment Review, an Australian-owned weekly, and stateowned Vietnam television plan to start Vietnam's first pay-television channel shortly: two French companies, Les Films du Triangle and Sicomor, are also partners in the deal.

 Aetna Life Insurance Co. has received permission to boost the capital of its five-year-old Taiwan branch by 375 million Taiwan dollars (\$13.96 million), to 2.67 billion dollars.

The South Nonferrous Metals Exchange, China's third such exchange, has opened in Nanhai, Guangdong province; it is jointly sponsored by Guangdong Nonferrous Metal Corp. and the municipal government.

AFP, Bloomberg, AP, Reuters

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TOKYO — Signating that bad times are not over yet for Japan's brokerage industry, 22 leading securities houses said Tuesday that lower-than-expected stock volume had forced them

But the news was not all bad, considering the

If the forecasts hold, 10 of 25 listed securities houses will hoist themselves into the black in the half year ending Sept. 30. In the year ended March 31, the brokerages posted an aggregate loss of 317 billion yen (\$3 billion).

We hope to increase our stock commissions dramatically this year," said Takashi Ikenchi, a vice president of Sanyo Securities Co. The listings of major stocks such as East Japan Railways Co. and Japan Tobacco Inc. in the coming six months are expected to entice small investors

The brokerages said they based their new earnings forecasts on an estimated average volume in Tokyo of 250 billion to 300 billion yen a day, up from 242 million a day in the year ended March 31. That is still down from the 350 billion

yen they previously projected for the period.

The securities houses plan to keep trimming fat. Nomura said that by April it aimed to cut 1,000 jobs from the staff of 11,300 it started the financial year with. Nikko and Yamaichi Secnrities Co. plan to eliminate 500 jobs each.

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not met. Mr. Yoshino was accused of handing a bribe of 10 million yen (1995,000) in December to a least back into the Japanese stock market, he added.

to cut half-year earnings forecasts.

beating the brokerages have taken in the last three years. The new forecasts indicate that this year is shaping up to be better than last year, thanks mainly to aggressive cost-cutting.

BBC Forms TV Venture in Japan Seoul Firms Launch Overseas Issues available on cable systems, and a deal with one of Japan's six nonsatellite broadcasters for rights to SEOUL - South Korean companies are heading abroad to raise funds and planning to launch a

> World Service TV as part of the "basic" package offered by existing cable operators. In "two to laxation of restrictions on overseas three years" SNC expects it to be offered on a "As the government releases its gop on overseas financing, more For Nissho Iwai it will be a first step into satellite communications, said Tadahiko companies are expected to attract Kuwayama, assistant general manager of the comoverseas funds and with better conpany's satellite communications office. Nissho Iwai believes it can sell WSIV to half the

ditions," a Finance Ministry offiit would raise the annual limit on companies seeking overseas financ-ing to \$2 billion from \$1.5 billion.

Overseas borrowings this year by South Korean companies totaled

welter of foreign-currency bonds to

capitalize on the government's re-

\$1.2 billion as of August, the official said.

South Korea, which regards high inflation as the most serious problem besetting the economy, has tightly controlled money supply since January 1991.

"It is very encouraging," said Ha Tae-hyung of Tong Yang Capital Management Co. "Overseas financing will help companies allevi-ate their imancial burden and contribute to improving international ss in the long run."

Domestic companies, strapped by high financing costs at home and the difficulty of securing funds, have long sought increased borrowing powers overseas.

Board said six companies were planning to issue \$300 million worth of equity-linked overseas bonds in October and November. In addition, two partially statefunded corporations plan issues of 5610 million in nonequity-linked bonds next month. The equity-linked paper will pro-

vide an alternative for foreign investors who cannot cash in on some attractive shares on the Scoul bourse because of a 10 percent limit

Daewoo Corp., the trading and construction arm of the Daewoo Group, plans to push forward with its bid to issue a \$75 million convertible bond issue in Europe.

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TOKYO — British Broadcasting Corp., in a venture with a Japanese trading firm, will launch a 24-bour version of BBC World Service Television

The London-based broadcaster, which is already

a force in Asian broadcasting with its news and

current-affairs programming on the Hong Kong-based STAR TV satellite television, has formed a

joint-venture company in Tokyo with Japan's sev-

enth-largest trading company, Nissbo Iwai Corp. Nissbo will be the majority partner in Satellite

News Corp. and will be responsible for injecting advertising into the BBC's London-generated

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is one of the best in the business." presence, said David Ropes, vice said Fred Danzig, editor of Advertising Age, "He might be taking his Nissan has also declined to contising Age, "He might be taking his

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good. And no matter how bad the economy, they say, there will always be a market for agencies that create trend-setting ads.

"Chiat/Day never completely left the ad-making craft," said Alan Gottes-man, an analyst at the New York investment firm PaineWebber.

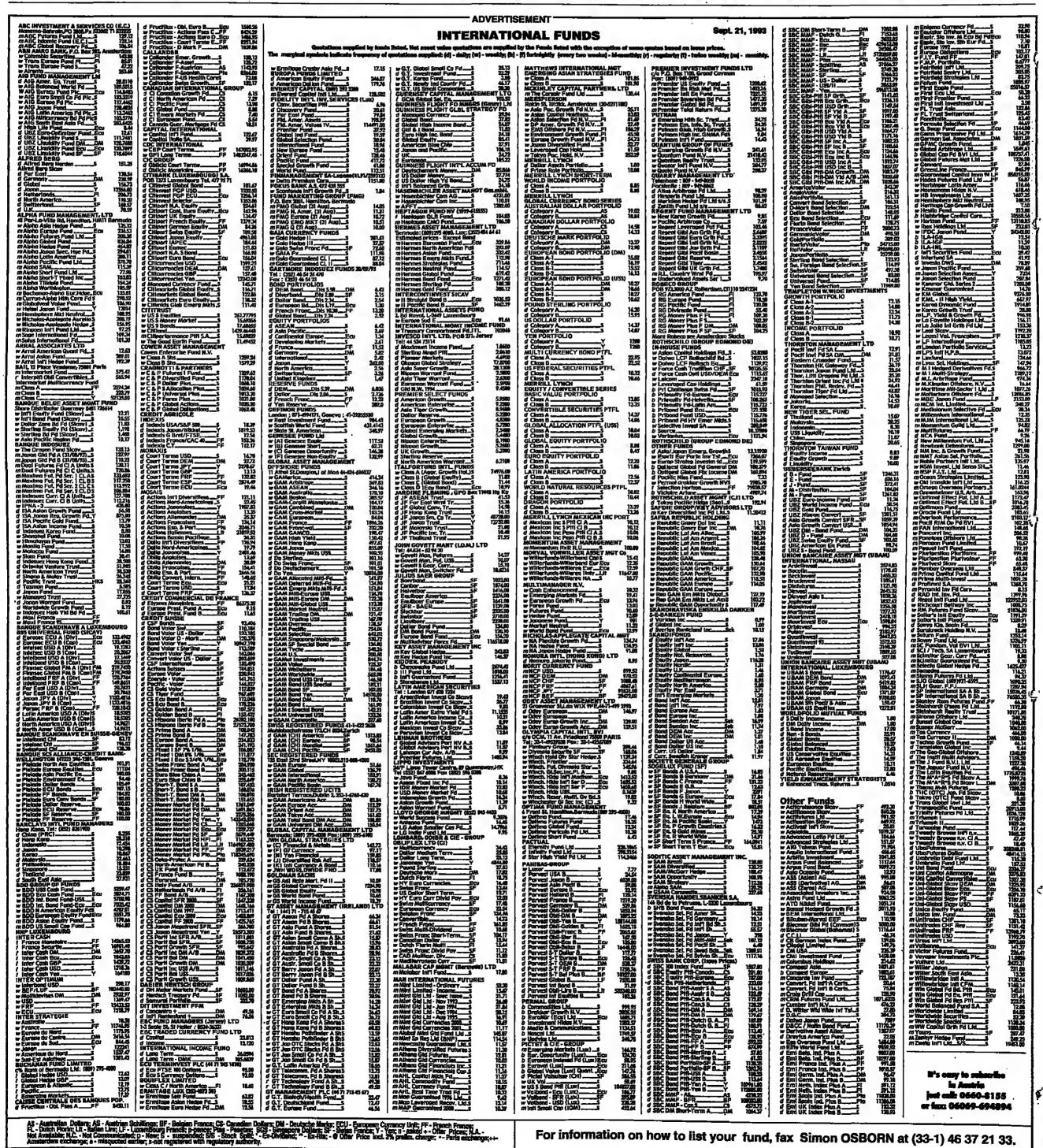
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SPORTS BASEBALL

Bonds and Giants Return to Form

The San Francisco Giants have found their offense again, just in time to make the Atlanta Braves a bit nervous with a tough week

The Giants closed the gap be-tween them and the Braves, who are leading the National League West, to 21/2 games as Darren Lewis

NL ROUNDUP

hit a three-run double in the sixth inning to help beat Houston, 7-2, Monday night in the Astrodome. Atlanta, which was idle, was to start a three-game series in Montreal Tuesday night before going on to play in Philadelphia.

Barry Bonds finally had a hig game in September, with three hits, twn runs and two RBIs, as the Gi-ants won their fourth straight after

"A couple of RBIs per game is what people expect of me, but I've got to have the opportunities,"

He doubled to start the sixth against Greg Swindell, and then an intentional walk to Kirt Manwaring and third baseman Ken Caminiti's throwing error loaded the bases before Lewis cleared them. Phillies 7. Marlins 1: Philadel-

phia, playing at home, came off losing two of three to Montreal to increase its lead in the East to 414 games over the Expos. Curt Schilling pitched a seven-

homer, but Randy Myers set a National League record with his 48th save of the season for Chicago. Myers broke the mark of 47

saves that Lee Smith set for St. Louis in 1991. Bohby Thigpen set the major league record, of 57 saves, with the Chicago White Sox

ing St. Louis with a three-run

Pirates 6, Mets 2: New York reached 100 losses for the first time since 1967 as Jeff King and Lloyd McClendon each drove in two runs for host Pittsburgh. In their first six seasons, the Mets lost 100 games five times. They were a record-worst 40-120 in 1962 as an expan-sion team and 51-111 the oext year. Dodgers 5, Reds 2: Dave Hansen

drove in three runs with three hits as Los Angeles won in Cincinnati to send the Reds to their 10th straight loss.

The Dodgers became the first

team since the All-Star break to score more than two runs off Jose Rijo. Padres 11, Rockies 7: Phil Plantier, with three hits, drove in five runs as San Diego outlasted host Colorado. Plantier, acquired from Boston before the start of the season, has 32 homers and 94 RBIs.

■ Phillies Get All-Star Game The 1996 All-Star Game will be played at Veterans Stadium in Philadelphia on July 9, the National League announce

Deover, which opens Coors Field in 1995, had been considered the favorite for the game. Next hitter, struck out a career-high 11 year's All-Star game is in Pitts-and won his seventh straight for the burgh, and the 1995 game will be at Phillies. John Kruk homered and the new stadium the Texas Rangers will open oext year in Arlington. Cubs 6, Cardinals 5: Todd Zeile The 1997 game will be in an Amerireached the 100-RBI mark for visit- can League city.

Chisox Wax Angels To Polish Up Lead

The Associated Press

With two weeks to go in the American League West race, the Chicago White Sox are in top form. Behind a 15-hit attack, the White Sox beat the California Angels, 10-2, Monday night to reduce their "magic oumber" for clinching the pennant to nine.

The Texas Rangers remained 41/2 back by beating Seattle in 10 in-

AL ROUNDUP

mings, but it will be tough for them to catch Chicago in the last two weeks, especially with the way the White Sox are hitting and pitching. They have scored 41 runs in winning five of their last six. This time,

they got another strong perforace from their sensational rookie, Jason Bere, who struck out 12 as he won for the fifth straight tir "We've had better pitching in the second half than the first half," said

Robin Ventura, who drove in three runs. "When you get that and you get some runs, you're able to hold on and win some games."

Lance Johnson and Ellis Burks each got two RBIs and Tim Raines had three hits fnr Chicago. Bere, whose ratin of 8.47 strikeouts per nine innings is the best

struck out three in the first and fourth innings. He had at least one strikeout in every inning he pitched and walked only one.

Rangers 2, Mariners 1: Rafaci Palmiero's home run in the 10th inning in Scattle gave Texas its victory after the Rangers had rallied to tie in the ninth on pinch hitter Ivan Rodriguez's single.

It was only the second time this season the Rangers had won when trailing after eight innings.

Cris Carpenter got the victory after relieving with two on and no outs in the ninth and pitching out of a bases-loaded, one-out jam.

Athletics 2, Royals 1: Oakland, playing at home, made first-inning RBI singles by Troy Neel and Mike Aldrete hold up against Kansas

Indians 6, Orioles 4: Randy Milligan's grounder took a bad hop past shortstop Cal Ripken for a two-run single that got Cleveland past visiting Baltimore.
The Orioles, who had held a 3-0

lead, fell 51/2 games behind idle To-routo in the AL East. Tigers 6, Brewers 3: Tony Phillips had three hits and a walk as



Joe Montana was 21 of 36 for 273 yards passing but did not produce a touchdown in Kansas City.

Lowery Kicks Chiefs Past Broncos

KANSAS CITY, Missouri

Those looking for a classic duel between two of the best quarterbacks to ever play in the National Football League didn't get it. Joe Mootana and John Elway

played. But they didn't produce much excitement Monday night in a game dominated by Nick Low-ery. He kieked five field goals as the Kansas City Chiefs beat the Denver Broncos, 15-7.

Mnntana completed 21 of 36 passes for 273 yards, but did oot appear as sharp as he had in the first game against Tampa Bay.

L'HOSPITALET, Spain - Major-league

baseball and its the players' union found

agreement Tuesday on plans for a European

tour of big leaguers next year, with probable

stops in Britain, Spain, France and Italy.

"This is something the players are very much in favor of doing," said Don Fehr, head of the Major League Baseball Players Associ-

see the game spread as widely as it can be."

Peter Widdrington, major league baseball's Nn. 2 man, and Fehr arrived Tuesday in this

Barcelona suburb for a four-day world base-

ball roundtable on the game's future in Eu-

rope. They are meeting with about 100 dele-

Widdrington handles the day-to-day oper-

ations of baseball since the forced resignation

a year ago of Fay Vincent as commissioner.

gates from almost 30 countries.

penalties. By the time Elway (inally got Denver in the end zone, late in the fourth quarter, Lowery had already done his damage.

The lack of a touchdown didn't

seem to bother Montana, who made his regular-season home debut before a crowd of 78,453. "Yeah, they did some stuff and I made some mistakes," said Mon-tana, who played after sitting out

last week's game in Houston be-

We would like to give our de-fense a little more belp. Like I've said many times before, defense is the mainstay of this team and that's what it takes to win champion-ships. If we score field goals and Elway passed for 300 yards, ships. If we score field go completing 28 of 45, but the Broncos hobbled themselves with 14 that's what it's all about." the defense doesn't let them score,

cause of a wrist injury.

The Chiefs' best chance for a touchdown came on the first drive. But Montana's pass to an open Tim Barnett at the goal line was too high and out of his reach.

The Broncos were held out of the end zone until Elway drove them 91 yards and threw a two-yard touchdown pass to Vance Johnson with 1:24 to play.

Denver was penalized for 75 yards. Guard Paul Zimmerman was flagged three times for false starts.
Marcus Allen sparked the Kansas City offense with some nifty runs and finished with 91 yards on 17 carries, but the coach, Marty Schottenheimer, will have to still figure out how to get the Chiefs, who were shut out by Houston a week ago, into the end zone.

Bribe Case World Cup Fever Meeting

Goes Badly

PARIS - Former Valenciennes

players Christophe Robert and

Jorge Burruchaga did not turn up

for the French football federation's

meeting Tuesday on the Marseille-Valenciennes bribery case.

Burruchaga, an Argentine, was

supposed to appear at 3 P.M., with Robert scheduled an hour later at

But their lawyers said on arrival

From 3 P.M. onward, all the

leading protagonists of France's

viewed, with an announcement ex-

FIFA's president, Joso Have-

lange, has given France until

Thursday to take action on the

Maradona is free to play for the Buenos Aires team Newell's Old

Boys, the Spanish Soccer Federation said Tuesday.

Maradona, who played last sea-son for the Spanish first-division club Sevilla, had been blocked in

his attempt to play for the Argentine club because of outstanding

contractual disputes with Sevilla.

A federation spokeswoman said the differences had been resolved

but would not provide further de-

tails. Officials for Sevilla were ont

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curred in signing the superstar from the Italian club Napoli.

month suspension from profession-

al soccer for drug use, had a medio-cre season with Sevilla and hit the

headlines for temperamental be-havior on and off the field.

worldwide but only 102,000 in Europe.
Games will be played on a cricket pitch in
London and baseball stadiums in Spain and

Italy. Officials said they were unsure of the site in Paris, where a makeshift stadium suitable

for first-class baseball might have to be built.

ry," said Frank Heffron, president of Major

ence sponsor. The MLBI has an exhibition

with minor-league players set for Oct. 2-3 at the Oval cricket pitch in south London.

The tour would be part of an otherwise in-

the-trenches effort over the last several years

by MLBI and the International Baseball As-

sociation, the world governing body, to lift beseball out of the dark ages in Europe.

developing the game in Europe," said Widdring-ton, who is chairman of the Toronto Blue Jays.

"We're supportive of the whole notion of

"It's an adventure, a chance to write histo-

que Baseball International, the confer-

Monday, a lawyer for Maradona

pected nn Wednesday morning.

their clients would not be present at

the federation's headquarters.

this crucial meeting.

eague match.

ONDON — What a pain parents must sometimes be. Having reared the son or daughter, and having lived close enough to their achieve, ments to know that in sport timing is all, we seldom say the right things at

Last Sunday, the father of Romanio da Souza Faria, put a well-mennt but misplaced parental foot right in it. "Romano is not the savior of the nation," da Souza Faria said of his son, Brazil's prodigal, recalled after eight months in which it seemed he was beyond the pale.

As the heat rose on Brazil's World Cup quest, as millions upon million of countrymen feared elimination. Romario was back for the final qualifying match against Uruguay. His father's fearful words were restated as television cameras intruded down the dingy tunnel in Rio de Janeiro's Maracana Stadium. Tension was writ large in the players' faces and in the wild cacophony of 120,000 spectators — each partisan fa representing a hundred Brazilians who

would be there if they could. The darkest fear in the brightest soccer nation was that Brazil might, for the first time ever, fail to qualify for a

World Cup. Such a pressure, and a presence, either inspires or intimidates the performers. For seventy tense minutes we wondered: Is Romario the match-rigging case were inter- nation's savior?

Uruguay, one of the most destructive opponents on earth, ground down Brazil. Romanio had a chance, one chance, which he struck against the crossbar. And as the clock ticked on with all the monotony of a taxi

charges. Otherwise, France could be excluded from the World Cup, and be prevented from hosting the event in 1998.

the crossbar. And as the clock ticked on with all the monotony of a taxi meter, word came that Bolivia, that tiny, magnificent neighbor, was a goal up in Ecuador. If it stayed this way, and if Uruguay broke away to steal a goal, the unthinkable might happen.

But Romarin was biding his time. In the 72d minute he struck, Somehow Uruguay's defense lost this little imp, and when Uruguayan goalkeeper Siboldi chose to ignore a looping center pass from Bebeto he found, too late, that Romario was behind him.

With a leap that carried Romario to inordinate height, and a swooping downward header, the tie was broken. And then, as Uruguay pressed for an equalizer, Romario struck again, racing over the halfway line, pushing the ball past the onrushing Siboldi and, with speed, accuracy and instinct, flicking it into the oet before hurdling over the advertizing boards.

Coach Carlos Alberto Parreira, who for months had argued that the ill-disciplined, errant and incorrigible Romario would not be back after The case dates back to May 20, when three Valenciennes players were allegedly bribed by a Mar-seille official to play badly in a · Argentine soccer star Diego

disciplined, errant and incorrigible Romario would not be back after refusing to play for Brazil, now said: "It was God who brought him to the Maracana. Romario is a genius, one of the best forwards in the world."

The savior, in effect, of the coach. And, in some ways, of the advertiging men in the United States. For they, wisely, had pinned ticket sales on the color of Brazil's soccer. The United States is, of course, able to welcome the ticket of Bolivia, with its fairy tale of giant killers. But Brazil will be the pied piper of World Cup '94. Whether Romario, the child within the body of a 27-year-old whose ingentity in putting a round ball into a square net is purely inspirational, makes it is in God's hands.

In that extent, Parreira is right. No one can predict how Romario moves on the field or through life. We can hope, and doubtless Brazilians will pray. that he is there. But, as with Maradona, trust nothing, simply enjoy:

MEANWHILE, THE SCRAMBLE for World Cup places goes on.

In Europe, on Wednesday, three tiny outions host traditional giants of the game whose aspirations are becoming frantic. Italy travels to Estonia, Spain to Albania, and the Netherlands to Bologna, where Sar Marino opts to play its "home" match.

reportedly met with Sevilla and federation officials to discuss fi-These encounters test the nerve more than the skill. The Netherlands, a paler shade of orange recently, has on Marco van Basten, whose ankle injury is mending slowly, and no Rund Gullit, whose resurgent form for his new Italian club, Sampdoria, has not yet prompted another recall from national team "retirement." nancial obligations Sevilla had in-Maradona, coming off a 15-

Yet the Dutch anticipate scoring several goals against San Marina's part-timers. Frank Rijkaard, also rediscovering his latent love of the game in more relaxed surroundings with Ajax Amsterdam, is at the heart of the team. Dennis Bergkamp, scorer of a magnificent scissor-kick goal a week ago, will ghost behind the front players. And John Bosman has another chance to prove that he can score international goals, flanked by the swift Bryan Roy and Marc Overmars.

San Marina's goalkeeper, a bus driver named Pierluigi Benedettini, has so far let in 32 goals in eight qualifying matches. He might be on his knees by the time the Dutch are finished.

Yet on the same night, in the same group, the leader Norway can, if it beats Poland in Oslo, virtually guarantee passage to U.S. '94, And on the weekend, the African contenders come out into the sun.

Africa's day is coming. The world under-17 final in Japan last month demonstrated that, with Nigeria beating Ghana in the final, But closer still is the question of how far the mature Africans can run? In 1990, Cameroon reached the last eight of the senior World Cup. Cameroon leads its qualifying group, and lies in wait for Zimbabwe in October. Before that, the Zimbabweans must put paid to Guinea on

Sunday, or else Cameroon will be the hot favorite again. Also, this weekend, the Ivory Coast could qualify for the finals if it ins or draws in Nigeria. The force is with Nigeria, but in nimbleness and wins or draws in Nigeria. The force is with Nigeria, I

quickness the Ivory Coast can, if it dares, overcome.

And then there is Zambia. Every ocutral in the world will be rooting for it to qualify, and for that it needs to beat Senegal on Sunday and then

earn a draw in Morocco on Oct. 10. The vibes are positive. Since losing 18 players, virtually its entire squad in the plane crash last April, the Zambians have regrouped to prove that

there is life after death in sporting terms. Now, in their own Independence Stadium, they are expected to out-run the Senegalese, who would have been the opponents that dark day in April. We are, I believe, entitled to hope that the new sons of Zambia turn out to be the saviors of the dream of those who died,

Rob Highes is on the staff of The Times.

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Major Leaguers Coming to Europe Next Year

"You can't forsake long-term planning just because you have day-to-day problems,"

Widdrington said, referring to magging trott-

bles like finding a commissioner and avoiding

a players strike when a four-year contract

Major league and union officials said the

European tour was almost certain to take

place next fall, probably a 50-player delega-

tion of stars and ocar-stars. Two major-

league teams are also an option. They said the

sites would almost certainly include London,

Paris, Barcelona and Rome or Parma in Italy,

with the Netherlands and Germany possible.

"What I want is 50 players representing almost all of the different teams with about 10

Spanish-speakers, French-speaking, Italian, in there," said Tony Bernazard, a former major

league infielder who is an assistant to Febr.

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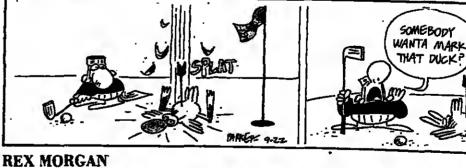
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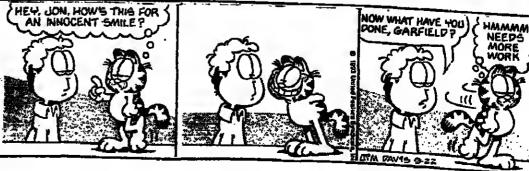




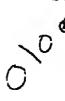
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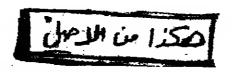


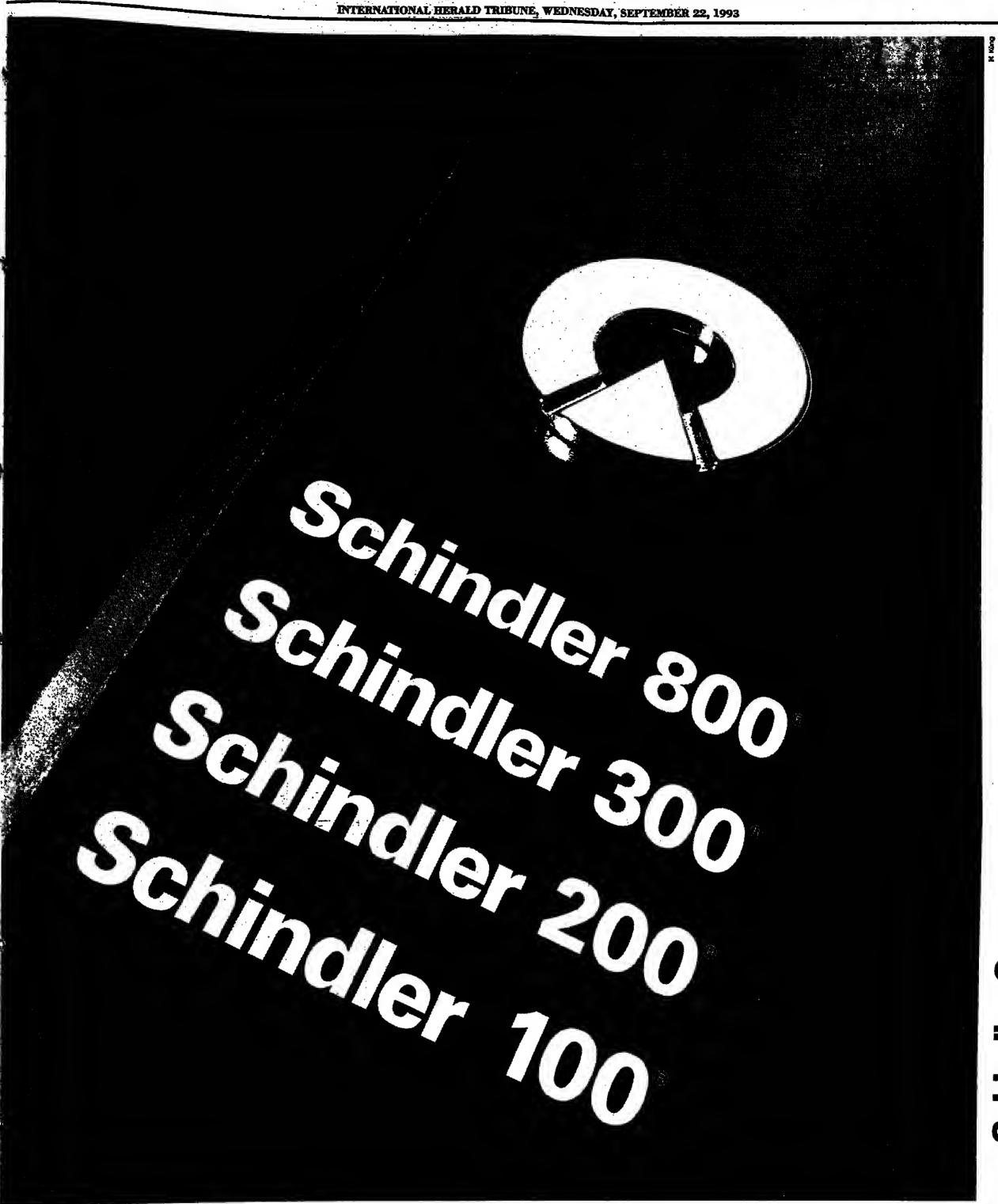












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Rest-Home Report

By Russell Baker

TEW YORK -- Reports filter-ing back to the rest home here Sure, of o American sexual trenches. Makes you glad to be in the rest home in spite of the food that doesn't need chewing and the narses who think you really mean it when you wink at them, especially the ugly ones.

One of the new things is condoms being displayed right out alongside the toothpaste and hair cal at the drugstore.

Ever think you'd see that? Right out there with the Ipana for the smile of beauty and Sal Hepatica for the smile of health? That "smile of health" thing was well-bred, oldtime radio's polite way of talking about constipation in those days.

П Now on television they come right out and call it "constipation," or would if they thought people who watch television could understand a four-syllable word.

It proves not all progress is just regress traveling under false preenses, like car telephones.

Speaking of which, a man came by here, who'd flown down from one of those metropolitan areas. and said, "Would you believe, you can make a phone call right from your airplane seat while you're going 550 miles an hour at 31,000 feet over the WBQT viewing area?"

"What would you have to say unless the plane was falling down and you wanted to order a thick layer of mattresses spread out on the ground?" I asked, just to get ımder his skin.

Joking with them is a mistake, though. Old LeCompte came in and sat down the other day. He'd read something that made him laugh. It was a list of rules for old people, and one of them was, "Never try to joke with young people because it'll just confirm their suspicion that old people are crazy."

Speaking of right out on the counter alongside the Barbasol, there's another rule for old people, at least for old men, and that is, never try to be pleasant to a young woman because everybody will think you're a dirty old man.

You ever wonder why nobody ever refers to a dirty young man as "a dirty young man"? It's probably because the world is so full of them

that everybody takes their dirtiness

Sure, of course, we were talking indicate fierce strife raging out in the about fierce strife, sexual trenches and so on, and you're in a hurry, busy, got a lot to do, can't hardly wait to arrive back here in the rest home on your own, so let's get ou with it. Got to get life over with fast, don't we?

Do you ever imagine a lot of bossy people, like airline stewar-desses who run those polite fascist societies overhead — you ever imagine them all saying: "Hurry up, Hurry up! No dawdling on the way to the life-support systems, or we'll have the airport police take you off when we arrive at the gate"?

So; strife in the sexual trenches. yes. Sitting here watching youth refuse to dawdle — but jogging, in fact, actually jogging en route to life support! —a happy concatenation of sexual strife and the lawyer explosion comes to mind

The papers say the young, and the not-so-young too, are having tremendous trouble deciding, once it's over, whether a sexual congress was convened with the consent of both parties or forced into existence by one. In the news stories it's usually women who complain that it wasn't mutually agreed upon.

Though actually, as anybody who has experienced the male situation can tell you, men too often groan and gnash their teeth next day. Being men, of course, they can't admit it, which is probably why men are not doing much of the suing and applying for writs, which makes up most of the sex news these days.

Isn't the solution here plain as the lawyer glut and the carry-out pizza industry? What's needed is a big nationwide company ready to deliver, in less than 30 minutes, two witnesses and a lawyer, complete with several pounds of paper, to the scene of an incipient congress.

The instant either male or female thinks a congress may impend, a phone call is made. Within the halfhour two witnesses are on the scene with lawyer, mutual-consent-attestation papers in quadruplicate, fully inked pens and a notary with stamp. All hands would sign affidavits. The witnesses would probably

New York Times Service

Haute Gardening: France's Green Thumb

By John Rockwell New York Times Serno HAUMONT-SUR-LOIRE France

— On deftiy sculptured grounds overlooking the Château de Chaumont and the Loire Valley, 27 landscape architexts from around the world have created modest-sized gardens that reveal the variety and imagination - and outright artistry — of garden design today.
Open until Oct. 15, the second annual

International Garden Festival here is more than a feast for flower-lovers, as one might gather from the filmmakers, ceramists, architects and painters among its designers.

It is a bold statement about the transformation of landscape architects from humble craftsmen into artists, creators of a new kind of installation art who in some cases enjoy cult followings.

It is the latest manifestation of a public enthusiasm for gardening that has spread from Paris to this region in central France and will in November give birth to an ambitious new gardening conservatory on the grounds of the château farm.

Not least, it is testimony to a dramatic increase in support for gardening and his-torical garden restoration by the French Ministry of Culture in the Socialist era, an interest that has been redirected slightly by the current recession, but which the current conservative government shows little signs of abating.

The range of gardens on view is daz-zling. Seven of the gardens are holdovers from last year, including a sunken grotto by Emilio Ambasz; a Moorish temple in wood perched above a floral field by Fernando Caruncho, a Spaniard, and a remarkable tunnel of curved bamboo strips by Hiroshi Teshigahara, better known as the director of Japanese films including "Woman in the Dunes" and "Rikyu."

20 new gardens, is The Imagination in Crisis," encouraging landscape architects to express their reactions to the world's economic, social and political problems.

Each gardener has a limited space (about 2,000 square feet, or 185 square meters) and budget (about \$15,000), but

This year's theme, which has generated

otherwise has complete freedom. Mark Rudkin, a Paris-based American painter who last year redesigned the gardens at the Palais Royal in Paris, contribut-ed a garden of humble, inexpensive flowers. Two designers interwove flowers with

symbols of industrial and environmental decay: Stephan Tischer of Germany evoked the rusting collapse of industries in the eastern part of that country, complete with factory parts and a heap of coal, while Pierre Culot of Belgium created a collapsing ceramic wall in a stagnant pond.
For Peter Walker of the United States,



the response was a series of solar panels powering pumps that sustain a field of

Shodo Suzuki's "Archipelago," a rock garden with shiny marble surfaces and surrounding floral groupings, was like a

hidden refuge from crisis.

The 1992 festival, only two months long attracted 60,000 visitors, and this summer's installment, which opened July is expected to lure more than 100,000. For Rudkin, who has lived mostly in France for nearly 40 years, the last decade has seen a sharp increase of French interest in gardening. "People are far more knowledgeable and sophisticated," he said in an interview at his Paris home. "They travel to see gardens now, to England and

Italy, which they didn't used to do." As an art form, gardening existed in ancient China, Egypt and Rome and has flourished in Japan over the last millennium. There have been great Western gardens since the Renaissance. Still, Rudkin added, only recently have more than a few

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Western landscape architects (those who have degrees) and gardeners (those who don't, like Rudkin) felt the kind of freedom that would allow them to think of

themselves as artists in the modern sense. "Most of them feel they are adjuncts to architects," he said. They would like to think of themselves as independent artists. Of all the landscape architects that are cranked out every year, most end up working for architectural firms or in government offices in the provinces, doing plants for new buildings, which by its very nature is limited. It's rare that somebody comes along and says, 'Make me a garden.'" That is just what Jean-Paul Pigeat has

done at his Chaumont festival, and what the French Ministry of Culture and its patrimony division have encouraged in

recent years.

The French state has commissioned a host of highly visible gardening projects, including Rudkin's in the Palais Royal and the forthcoming redesign of the Tuileries, scheduled for completion in 1996.

The state budget for gardens has doubled since 1988, when Jack Lang returned to power as the minister of culture after a two-year conservative interregnum. The total for this year is nearly \$20 million. Three-fifths of that has gone to stateowned gardens and the rest to local and regional authorities, and even to private

citizens and corporations. This influx has also led to the establishment of highly successful programs, par-ticularly the Garden Month every June, intended to encourage the French public to visit the country's many gardens.

Local and regional officials, caught up in the gardening enthusiasm, have contrib-uted additional funds. Pigeat is a former administrator at the Pompidou center in Paris and garden consultant in the Lang Ministry of Culture. It is no accident that Lang is the mayor of Blois, the nearest large city to Chaumont.

The prevailing political winds in the Cen-tre region — where Blois, Chaumont, Orleans and Tours are simated — are conservative, not socialist. Yet Pigeat's conservatory and festival draw most of their support from regional, not national sources. Lang's successor at the Ministry of Cul-

time, Jacques Toulon, seems supportive of gardening policies, although general belt-tightening by the Gaullist government has led to some cutbacks. For instance, Rudkin is not being asked to maintain his

Palais Royal garden.
Pigeat's festival has occasioned some grumbling from more traditional landscape architects, who denounce what they see as its gimmickry. He has also had some trouble convincing large landscape-architecture firms that freeing up promising innovators on their staffs to build something as frivolous and impermanent as a summerlong garden installation was worth the firms' time and money.

At the same time, he seemed apprehen-sive about the forces he has helped unleash. Landscape architects are now feeling their artistic oats and becoming socially lionized, media-celebrated stars. "If landscape architects become like our

chefs have become, it will only harm their development," Pigeat said.

Rudkin said the influence of English flower gardens is particularly strong in France, which is certainly evident in his own Palais Royal design. Pigeat stressed the innovations of Americans and their

freedom from tradition."

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For Rudkin, what will distinguish Pigeat's new conservatory will be its willingness to combine the formal abstraction typical of the French with a new-found enthusiasm for the practicalities of the art. Things have become too abstract," he said. "You have to actually go out and

PEOPLE

Green Oak for Globe? Ay, There's the Rub

Heavy Japanese demand for green oak for a Tokyo building project has delayed Sam Wanama-ker's reconstruction of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre on the south bank of the Thames in London, but it could be a blessing in disguise, it gives Wanamaker more time to raise the £2.5 million (\$3.8 million) needed to complete the job but dashes his hopes to have it ready in time for the 430th anniversary of Shakespeare's birth in

Salman Rushdie's 1981 novel "Midnight's Children" was named as the best of the 25 previous winners of the annual Booker Prize, Britain's top literary award, on the 25th anniversary of the prize.

It's a big baby boy for Maria Shriver and Arnold Schwarzeneg ger. The couple's first son weighed 9 pounds (4 kilograms). He has not been named yet. The film star and TV journalist have two daughters.

Oprah Winfrey reveals to Ebony magazine that the uncle she says sexually abused her as a child could have been the father of a baby she gave birth to when she was 14. The baby was premature and died at birth. "Everybody in the family sort of shoved it under a rock," she says. "Because I had already been involved in sexual promiscuity, they thought if anything happened it had to be my fault."

George Weissman, the chairman of New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts since 1986, told the center's board that he would be leaving in June in time for his 75th birthday in July. . . . Out West, the cash-short Music Center of Los Angeles County hired Shelton G. Stanfill, 53, the head of a prominent East Coast performing arts theater, as its new president. Since 1988, Stanfill has directed the Virginia-based Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts. The Los Angeles center decided to re-cruit someone from the arts rather than a fund-raiser.

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For This Fight Joe Savage Will Knuckle Under

NEW YORK - He's bald and stocky, covered with tattoos and sports a belly. He fights

without gloves.

He's Joe Savage, a bare-knuckle boxer from Britain who will try to win \$1 million in The People's Choice World Heavyweight Superfights, a 15-bout night of boxing amounced Monday.

The 16-fighter, one-night event is scheduled for Dec. 3 at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. It will be televised on a pay-perview basis. The format is single elimination with the eventual winner being required to win

four 3-rounds fights.
A bonus of \$20,000 will be paid for any firstround knockout.

with the eventual winner being required to win

round knockout.

Three former heavyweight champions — Michael Dokes (50-4-2 with 32 KOs), James "Bonecrusher" Smith (35-11-1, 28 KOs) and Tony Tubs (34-5, 25 KOs) — headline the field.

Also on the card are two Olympic gold medalists: Tyrell Biggs (25-6, 17 KOs) and Henry Tillman (25-6, 16 KOs).

Foreign champions include Francesco Damiani of Italy (30-2, 28 KOs), Craig Peterson of Australia (18-5-1, six KOs), Daniel Dancuta of Romania (6-1, three KOs), Yevgeni Sudakov of Russia (8-0-1, six KOs) and King Ipatan of Nigeria (10-0, seven KOs),

Sudakov defeated current heavyweight champion Riddick Bowe when both were amateurs.

pion Riddick Bowe when both were amateurs. Also competing are Bert Cooper of the U.S. (30-11, 25KOs), José Ribalta of Cuba (33-9-1, 24 KOs), Johnny Du Plooy of South Africa (27-5-1, 21 KOs) and Derrick Williams of Britain (19-6, 14 KOs),

The 16th boxer is to be selected later by a public phone vote.

Why would the 240-pound (109-kilogram) Savage, who has never fought with boxing gloves, take on such rugged competition? Espe-cially since he has never entered a regulation ring in the past?
"First of all, he said, "I'm in this for the

million dollars. As for the second question, I never did any proper boxing."
"I actually started watching bare-knuckle

fights when I was 12 or 13. Shortly after that I started fighting men who were 25 to 30. Things took off from there," he said. The promoters, Don Arnotte Associates and

Thunder Boxing Inc., of Vancouver, British Columbia, found out about Savage by reading an article in Ring magazine. They listed his bare-knuckle record at 41-0. Bare-knuckle fights are not granted official recognition by the British Boxing Council. Savage, who lives in Wednesbury, a small

town outside of Birmingham, once extended a challenge to fight Lennox Lewis and Frank Bruno m the same night. "Why not?" be said. "All I wanted was the

chance to put the gloves on. I've even offered to fight all 15 guys in this show one after another."



Ian Woosnam had a winning practice round with teammates Seve Balesteros, José María Olazábal and Sam Torrance.

A Puzzling Conversation: Is China Misunderstood?

By Ian Thomsen

MONTE CARLO — He says, "I believe these suspicions are out of a misunderstanding." Wu Zhongyuan is director of information for the Chinese foreign ministry. On Tuesday, he and six other Chinese climbed to a stage in a lovely auditorium filled with foreign reporters. The Chinese, in their Western business suits, were better dressed than their andience. These meetings have been going on for several days now, and the audience has wearied of the Chinese stubbornness, the response to questions with-

out ever answering them. When We notes the increased life expectancy of his

people, someone m the audience mut-**Vantage** ters that the government must have in- Point vented less deadly

forms of torture. If Wu and the other Chinese panelists could hear what their audience really thinks...
but it wouldn't change anything. Someone asks Wu
about the decision to invite a human rights group to
China just as the International Olympic Committee is
building to award the 2000 Summer Games on Thursday, but Wu talks only about the diversity of world views on all issues.

"What do we do about our differences?" be says. "I believe the best way is to have dialogue.

I wish to have a dialogue later with Wu. We speak for some time in a hallway attached to a long conference room overlooking the water. He is a very pleasant man, with a quiet, pleading tone, and I am thinking I should have worn a tie. I ask him to define China's "misunderstanding" as it presents itself to the world.
"The misunderstanding is that some people, a few people, thought that China is a repressive regime," he says. "That the government wants to use this opportu-

nity to make a show. This is not true."

There has been some satisfaction in China's awk-ward yearning to host the Olympie Games. The Chi-

nese are now being forced to answer the questions everyone demanded to ask four years ago. He is sitting in his suit on a soft end chair and I am sitting on the edge of a corner table in the hallway telling him how angry I was when his government was killing its own students, its best minds, who having been promised the freedom of speech were murdered and imprisoned for raising their voices. Wu's hands are clasped, his head is bowed, he is nodding.

He looks up and says, quietly and carnestly, "To pass judgment on a particular event in history, it is best to judge history itself. 1989, this was four years ago. Today China enjoys political stability, a booming economy. The living standard of the Chinese people has improved dramatically. This has all happened in accordance with the wishes of the Chinese people."

He says that the government fully supports Beijing's dream of hosting the Olympics, as do the people. I want to argue more about four years ago, but I cannot let him get away with this last statement. I tell him that everyone doubts the Chinese polls citing 98 percent public support for the Olympic bid. Beijing has prom-ised the IOC there will be no opposition to the Olympics in China. How else are its people going to respond

He tells me about the young and old people who have told him they want the Games to come to Beijing. He characterizes them as believing the Olympics will improve their lives. He says they wish to do something not only for themselves, but for the world.

WHY?" WU SAYS. "China had a brilliant civilization in the past. But in modern times China has lagged behind. We didn't do much for the world. Today conditions are better. In the world today there are too many sufferings, too many walls, too much killing, destruction, anger. The world is not peaceful at all. For that world we want to make our contribution by staging the Olympie Games."

l tell him that people are skeptical of such

statements.

"I am not naive," be says. "I don't think that half the people listening to my statement, that for them the misunderstanding will end overnight."

He will tell me, basically, that no government is perfect. I have been waiting for this response. I talk about political prisoners. He slaps a backhand silently into his open palm and says, "In China there are no political prisoners. If you have the thought, if you have the thought, if you cnow the law, if you don't commit acts that are against the law, then you have no problems.

He begins talking about the racial nightmares of America. I am talking about the political persecution in China. It should be said that we are not really arguing. It's like a conversation that never meets, a misunderstanding, though I am not willing to apply the term as broadly as be. "The understanding of a country is never easy," Wu

vot-

says. "No Russian expert predicted the fall of the Soviet Union. None. After 1989 so many Chinese experts predicted the fall of the Chinese government, and that didn't happen. That shows the gap between perception and reality. How do we hridge that gap?"

He is saying the Olympics seven years from now could become that bridge. I would like to agree, but I cannot forget when such promises were made four

years ago, not by Wu, but by a government I don't

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and Sydney might have trouble be-cause its first-ballot support could

be minimal, coming from North

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In this scenario, Sydney could

How does a committee member

When 20 members came to At-

lanta for their first visit after a 1989

committee meeting in Puerto Rico, four matching Gulfstream jets, all lent to the Atlanta Olympic Com-

mittee by local corporations.

picked up the dignitaries in San

the committee members were driv-

en to their hotel, local volunteers,

including the president of a presti-

gious bank, took to the tarmac.

They unloaded the committee

members' luggage, packed it onto

four waiting trucks and sped it to the hotel before the visitors got to

The next day, Sinan Erdem, a

We went to our rooms and there was luggage when we got there," Mr. Erdem said. "And it was

Contrast this with what commit-

tee members found when they visit-ed Sofia before the 1994 Winter

Games selection. These are people

used to the finest hotels, the moun-

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"I think they didn't want to

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SCOREBOARD

Ryder Cup: A Happy Day Before the Showdown

By Leonard Shapiro Washington Post Service

SUTTON COLDFIELD, England -The Ryder Cup teams got down to semi-serious business Tuesday, venturing out onto the mostly nondescript Brabazon Course at the Belfry for a day of wind-blown and, in the case of the U.S. players, jet-lagged golf that was noteable both for the impressive number of birdies and the general frivolity.

This was a day for fun in the occasional sun, for side bets and lots of laughs. As Fred Couples stepped up to hit his drive at the third hole, for example, one of the caddies in his group did an imitation of a frequently seen Couples Boom-Boom driver commercial, the one with an animated golf ball

screaming "Azzazazazah!!!" after contact

They may be laughing now, but by the time these bi-annual matches start Friday, grim faces and sweaty palms will surely replace the grins on both teams. At this level, with pride, country and the Cup on the line, almost every player will tell you that the pressure is unlike anything they've ever faced in their lives, and certainly not on a golf course.

"I remember my first Ryder Cup in 1983," Ian Woosnam recalled. "I can remember standing on the first tee and I was so nervous. I was playing with Sam Torrance, and I said to him, 'I'm feeling sick.' He said not to worry, that he'd look after me at the start.

bounds. Then at the second hole he was in the water, and again in the third. You feel so much pride, it makes you nervous. Anyone who says they're not nervous, they're lying."
The European team's captain, Bernard

Gallacher, insisted taht "the Ryder Cup isn't "But as the week goes on," he added, "it becomes less enjoyable. Right now, they'll all run in here" to the interview room. "By the

end of the week, they might be reluctant."

Spain's José Maria Olazábal said the format is also partly responsible for the pressure on players, who normally play an individual. sport and care only about themselves.

"I do not think you can make mistakes in match play," Olazábal said. "You can finish "Well, at the first hole, he went out of two or three under par and still lose. You can

playing the golf course, but you are playing other players, and that also makes a big differ-

better Tuesday as Bernhard Langer took part in the first full day of practice and Gallacher; said he was "very optimistic" that Langer will be able to play Friday. The Associated Press reported. The decision on Langer, who has had a neck mjury, will be made Wednesday, Gal-lacher said. But he added that "if Langer can

play like he played today, that's good enough ["I watched him quite a lot today. He was

playing very well, swinging well," Gallacher

VOTE: Promotion Wins the Race

Olympic Winner

test at last month's World Athletics Championships and faces a lifetime ban, the IAAF announced Tuesday

last year and the bronze in Stuttgart, tested positive for the second time in his career. "Both the 'A' and 'B' samples have been confirmed positive," said Jayne Pearce, spokes-

Pearce said Stulce would be stripped of his medal and suspended for life pending a hearing by the U.S. federation because it was his second offense. She did not identify the drug involved, but said it was a substance that would warrant a

Stulce was suspended for two years after testing positive for steroids in 1990. Coming off the ban, he was the surprise winner in Barcelo-

was the first time the three medals in an Olym-

SIDELINES

PERIH (Keuters) Coutes of New Zealand ended Tuesday's first day of the world match racing yachting championship as the only undereated skipper after outsailing five opponents. In near-perfect conditions on Perth's Swan River, he defeated Frenchmen Thierry Peponnet and Bertrand Pace, Britain's Eddie Warden-Owen and Chris Law, plus Dutchman Roy Heiner.

the world's second-ranked skipper. Peter Gilmour of Australia, by the 13th ranked Warden-Owen, and for fourth-ranked New Zealander Rod Davis, who lost to 14th-ranked Pace. American Ed Baird held second place with four victories from five matches, with his only loss

Another U.S. 'Dream Team'

NEW YORK (AFP) - The U.S. basketball team at next year's world championships in Toronto looks like it could be another "Dream Team."

Shaquille O'Neal of Orlando and Alonzo Mourning

of Charlotte were among the 10 NBA players named to the team. The others were Charlotte's Larry Johnson, New Jersey's Derrick Coleman, Atlanta's Dominique Wilkins, Cleveland's Mark Price, Tim Hardaway of Golden State, Detroit's Joe Dumars, Dan Majerie of Phoenix and Cleveland's Mark Price.

Shawn Bradley, the 7-foot-6 multimillion-dollar rookie for the Philadelphia 76ers, announced be and his fiancée, Annette Evertson, are getting married Sept. 25.

She is 5-3.

Frank Bruno's camp demanded Tuesday that Mickey Vann, appointed by the WBC, be replaced as referee for the Oct. 1 all-British world heavyweight title bout assigns I sensor I was a superior of the I was a super against Lennox Lewis in Cardiff because of Vann's role in the controversial draw between Pernell Whitaker and Julio Cesar Chavez.

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charge of his city's run for the 2002 Beijing, Manchester and Berlin will Olympics. "A majority are people of wealth."

The process the committee will use to determine the winner Thursday is like a game of musical chairs: The last city left is the winner. Every vote, therefore, is crucial in the selection process; a simple majority is needed to win, with the city with the lowest vote total in each

First, each city will make an elaborate presentation to the committee; then the voting will take place by secret ballot.

Most committee voters already have promised their first-ballot vote to a particular city. Often, they

vote in blocs: The old Soviet bloc would try to vote for one of its own, like Sofia in 1994; the African nations might pick a city, like Atlanta, based on their affinity for Andrew Young, a black leader and a former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations who, as mayor of Atlanta in 1990, helped lead the successful Olympic effort. But all bets will be off on subse-

quent ballots. Those who voted for the eliminated city are free to pick any of the others, which can lead to all sorts of unanticipated results.

When the committee met to se-lect the city for the 1994 Winter Olympics, Lillehammer was considered the absolute dark horse in a four-city race. The Norwegian city's bid was so low-key, officials did not even bother to campaign. The day before the vote, some of the top officials flew home. And where will February's Games be held?

Said Billy Payne, an Atlanta attorney who was a driving force behind that city's bid, "The only key way to win is to be everybody's

second choice." On Thursday, the word is that Anchorage's delegation, told the the African and South American Los Angeles Times.

CHINA: Beijing's All-Out Gamble

opportunity for China to regain in-

of legitimacy among its people in the face of criticism over reported Four years after Chinese soldiers

killed hundreds of pro-democracy demonstrators in the capital, China is no longer the pariah it once was. But the stain of those deaths remains on its reputation, and the U.S. Congress, the European Parliament and human rights organizations are calling for the International Olympic Committee to reject Beijing's bid because of what they llege are continuing abuses.

If Beijing wins, officials here hope to use the Olympics to main-

in the short run, China's leaders are sure to blame the United States and human rights groups for the failure.

In a country where no one is supposed to know where the top leaders live or how many children they have, China has adopted as its official Olympic slogan the phrase, "A More Open China Awaits the 2000 Olympics."

But despite the government's claim that more than 98 percent of the population supports the bid. many Beijing residents say privately that they oppose the Games. All the additional costs will be passed on to residents, they say.

"If Beijing gets the Olympics, I'll probably have to pay 2 yuan (34 cents) for my mantao," said a blue-collar worker in her forties, referring to the steamed buns that are a If Beijing loses, it will try again staple of the Beijing diet and sell in 2004, Chinese officials say. But, for about 4 cents each.

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Stuke, who won the gold medal in Barcelona

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na, leading a one-two U.S. finish for the first time since Mexico City in 1968. With James Dochring taking the silver and Vyacheslav Lykho of Russia the bronze, it also

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